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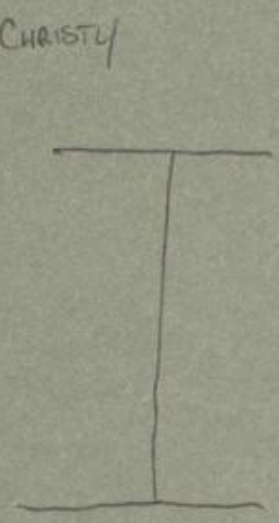

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Christy,

Hi! So how have you been? Haven't talk to you ever since Chemistry. (Ha! Ha!) I hope your high school years have been great! We have been friends ever since grade school (remember when...?) Those were great! And now it's even better! I'm glad we have been friends for so long and I hope we will be friends until the end!

Love,
Kara

"89"

Christy

You've been a great friend through grade school and highschool. I think you're a very fun and caring person. I know you'll go far in life. I hope your remaining years in highschool and those of (college) are the greatest. I'm sure we'll always be friends. Good luck in all you do!

"89" (not very long)

Love,
MATT BAXTER

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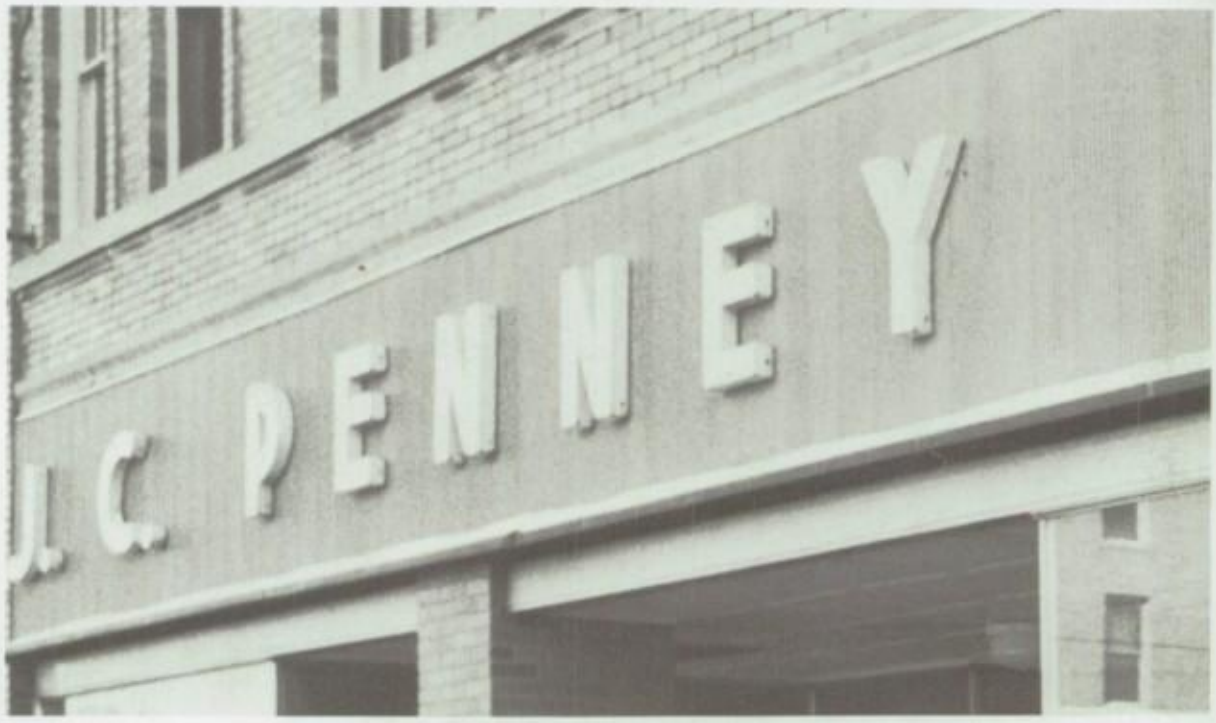

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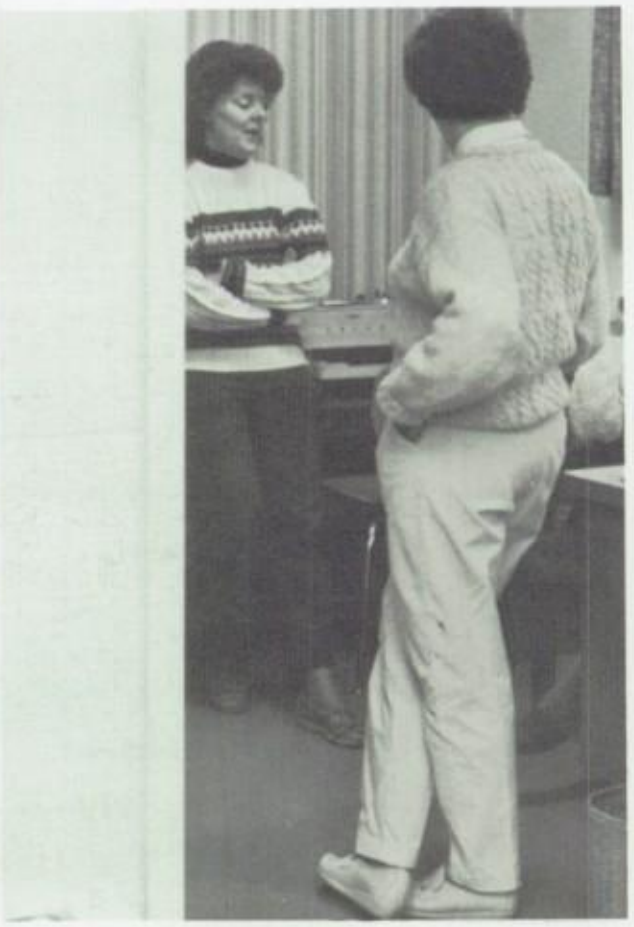

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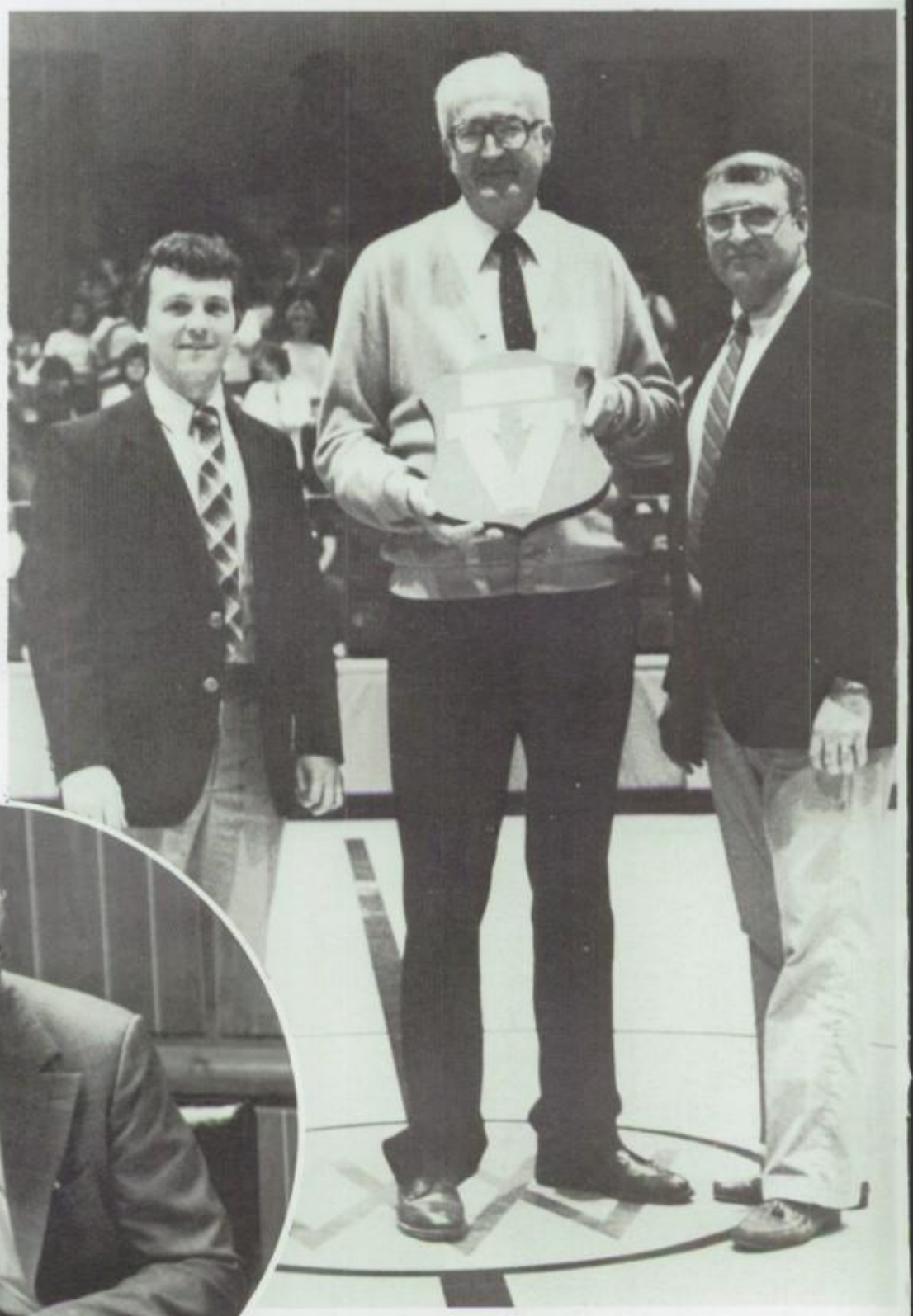
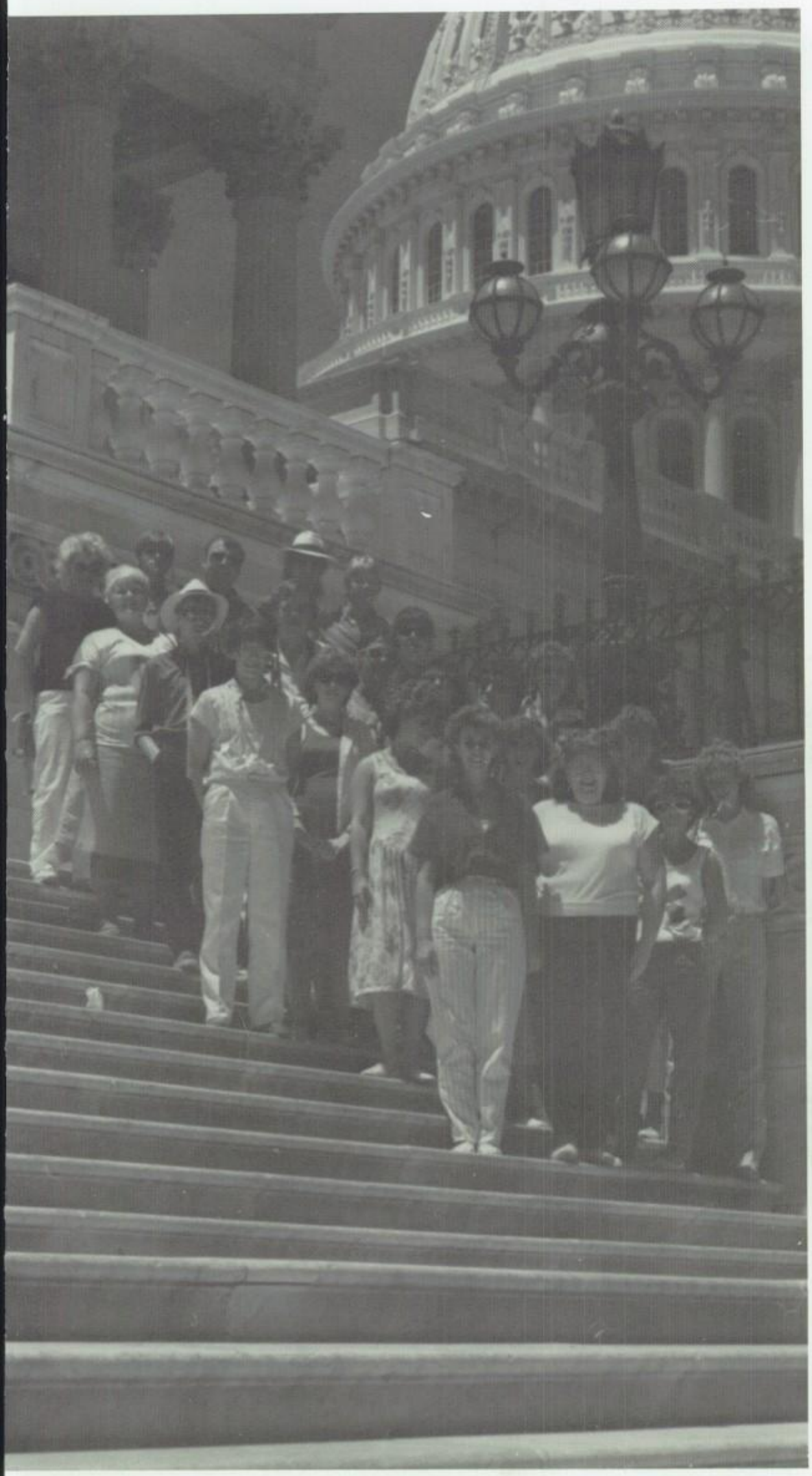


Retires After 22 Years

Mr. S.F. Goedde, Superintendent of Van Wert City Schools, retired after twenty-two years of service. He first came to Van Wert as principal in 1962. After a brief departure, he returned to Van Wert in 1965 as the superintendent of schools.

During his years as superintendent, he saw many changes in the system. New programs were implemented, the cafeteria was added to the high school, and several elementary schools gained additions. Throughout these changes, he kept a firm rein on fiscal policies; consequently, Van Wert remained economically sound while many schools throughout the state suffered economic setbacks. His primary concern, however, was for the student. To ensure the success of each student, he promoted an educational environment that challenged, enlightened, and offered creativity. The success Van Wert has achieved academically is his legacy, and for that, we all thank him.

AROUND THE TOWN



Vantage Vocational School

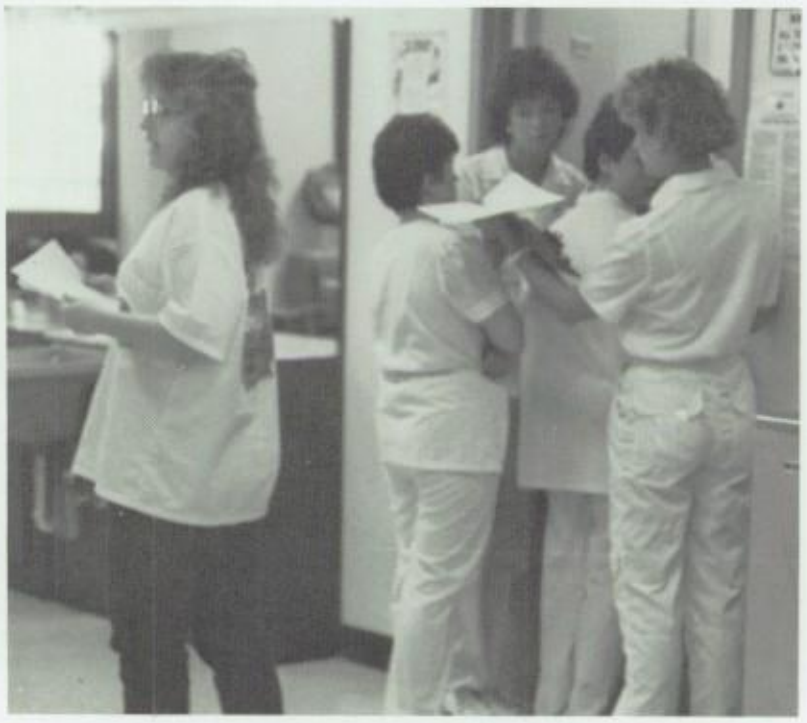
J. Dineen works on a machine.

Vantage Vocational School offered several educational programs, with classes ranging from agri-diesel industrial mechanics to food management. Filled with dedicated students, five clubs were offered: Deca Club, Vica Club, F.F.A., F.H.A., and O.E.A. To liven the atmosphere of work-related projects, Vantage offered interesting assemblies, movies, and guest speakers. A majority of the students became involved with the Right-to-Read Week, during which they competed for prizes.

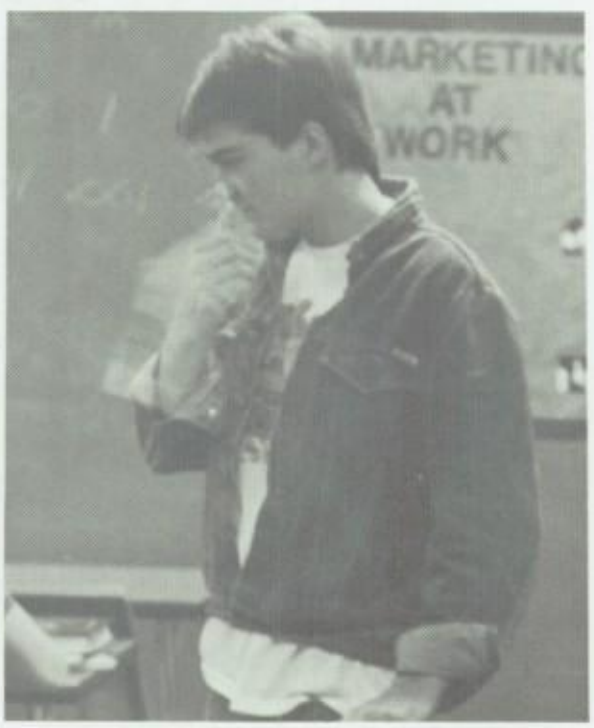
N. Detwiller takes a break from machine trades.

Senior L. Sites converses with a friend.

Provides A Work-Related Education



P. Pruden with some of her Vantage friends.



S. Blair, a carpentry student, studies technique.

Vantage Students Fulfill

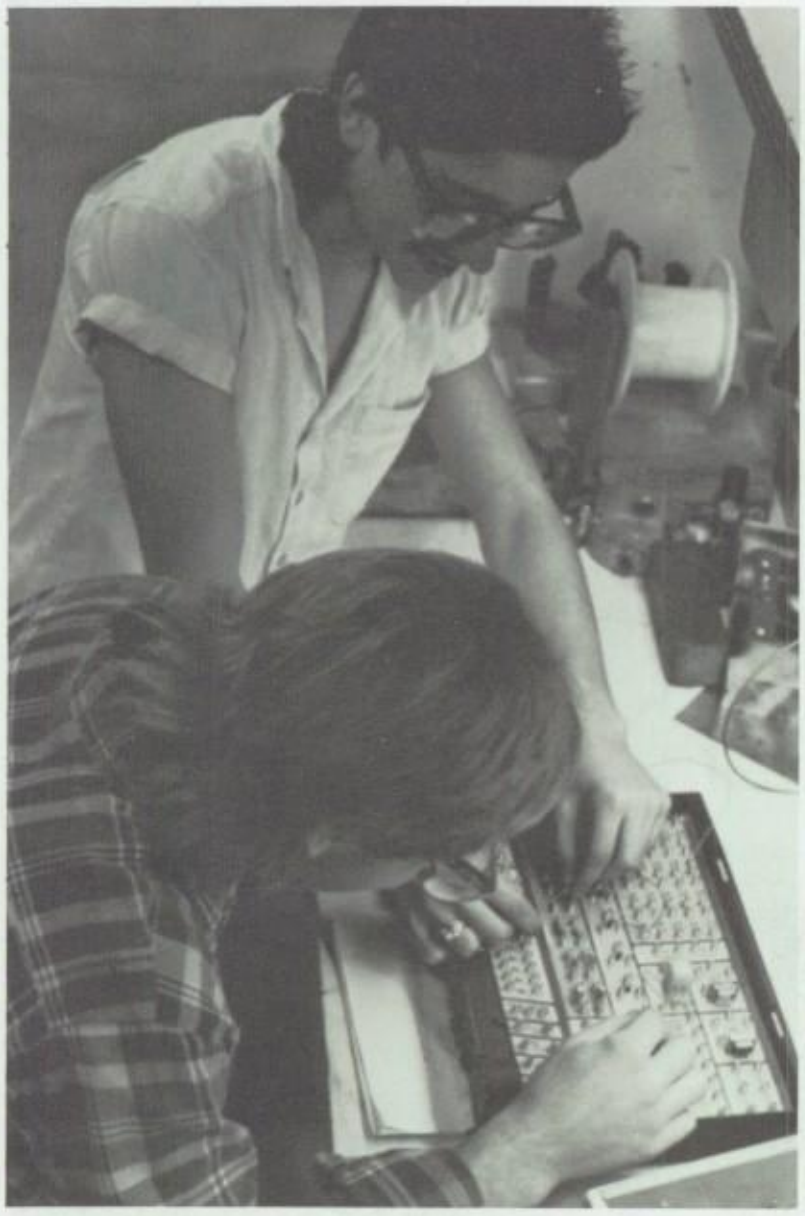
T. Hernandez offers aid.

Who, me?

Career Goals Early

P. Pruden and N. Williman work on computers.

Students line up at food machines during lunch.



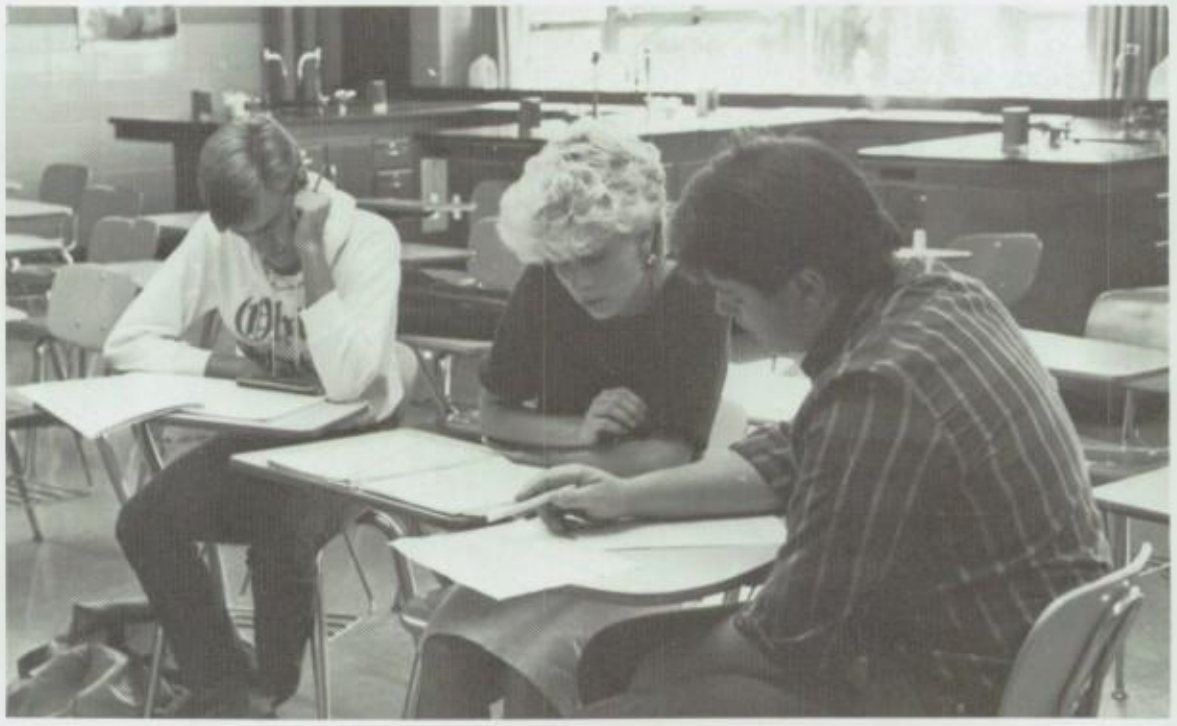
The library offers sanctuary for some students.

The Commons Room gives students a place to meet and talk.

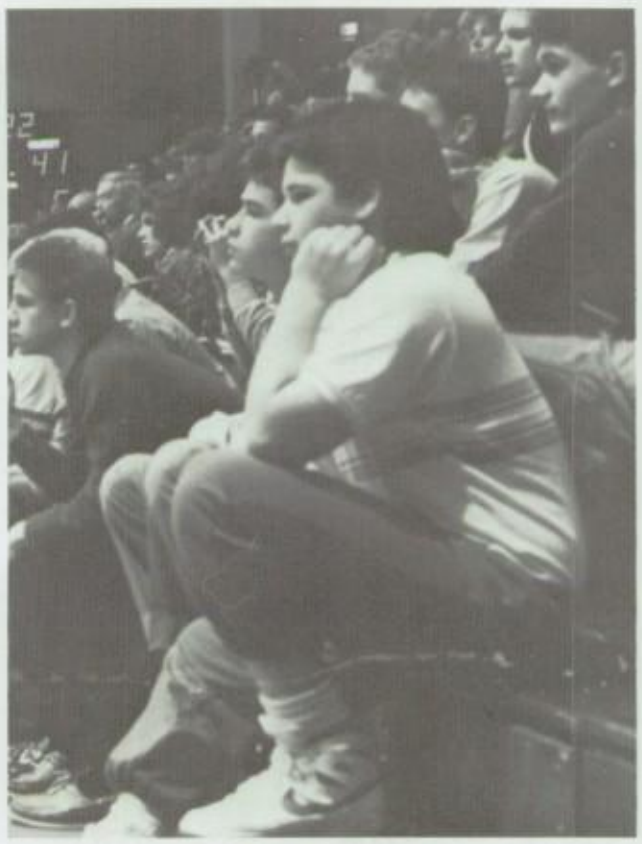
Students Struggle To Meet

T. Moonshower waits in the hallway for his friends.

After summer came to an abrupt end, school became a shocking reality for most individuals at Van Wert High School. Studying, athletics, meeting new people, and renewing acquaintances presented challenges and adventures for the students. Some days passed quickly. During these days, students achieved their goals: academic, personal, or both. Other days seemed without end as students struggled with various types of problems. The year 86-87 came to an end in May as the seniors departed for jobs and colleges after graduation, and the underclassmen scattered for fun and relaxation.



J. Gemmer, N. Cyr, and C. Bakle study for a chem. test.



Academic And Personal Challenges

French IV students prepare for a test.

Athletes frequented the weight room before and after practices.

Students selected by the hypnotist react to his specific directions.

Food Offers

Pizza over the lunch hour is always popular with club members.

C. Dunlap reaches for something refreshing.

At the County Fair, students find tempting treats and cool, refreshing drinks.

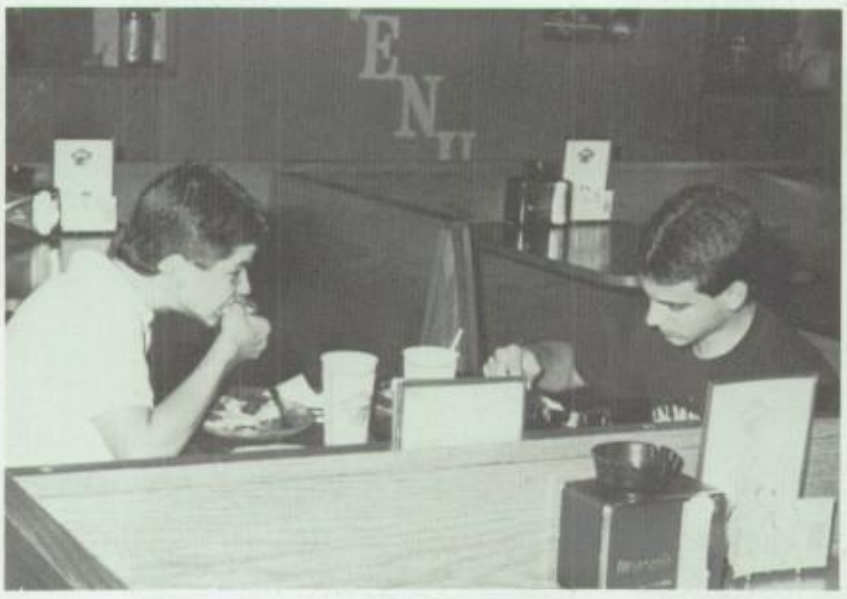
What is this?

Delectable Temptations

Members of German Club sample the food at the Back Forty.

For most students, food was more than just fuel for the body. At home, individuals raided the refrigerators regularly during commercials or while taking a break from studying. The fast food places provided tasty meals and snacks for those in a hurry; these establishments also offered places for students to gather in large or small groups. Students with cars frequented these restaurants during lunch. The majority of students could be found in the cafeteria during school, feasting on such regulars as pizza and peanut butter fudge, Cougar burgers, and spaghetti.

Prom workers snack on fast foods.



Lunch time at Noble Romans is popular with students.

During a rushed moment, D. Harvey grabs a bite at MacDonalds.

M. Myers is kept busy in the concession stand.

From Around

Government class in Washington, D.C.: *Row 1:* T. Kreischer, T. Pohlman, C. Grimm, C. Saam, T. Coleman, E. Durham. *Row 2:* K. Ford, B. Gribler, T. Goudy, M. Eikenbary, B. Barton, Miss Clark, Mrs. Stemen. *Row 3:* J. Dohmen, N. Felver, Mr. Kalkneuth, Mr. & Mrs. Grimm.

Car trouble, girls?

Put your seatbelt on, M. Cox.

Babysitting, Stacia?

For some, mowing lawns is a lucrative summer job.

The Corner . . .

While working at Way-Ellen Farm, R. Mengerink and E. DeLeon take "five."

The fair captivates almost everyone, especially the games and stuffed animals.

"Time for lunch; gotta rush to MacDonalds."

. . . To Around

Less than 1 block from school, the team bus breaks down, stranding the team.

C. Drake demonstrates a popular form of transportation for underclassmen.

To keep the car looking new, S. Whitcraft washes and waxes it, almost weekly.

D. Adams doesn't let work get him down.

The Town

At Vantage, students learn to repair cars.

Seniors display their art work prior to the formal showing.

R. Washington and G. Sullivan visit with Sandi Thompson during a class trip for Communications to various Ft. Wayne studios.

Band members get around during the Homecoming parade.

School was only one part of life for students. Their activities took them from around the corner, around the town, and in some cases, around the world. Some students traveled to exotic places, whether on vacations or for school trips or visits. In town, students traveled by any method available, preferably by cars. Jobs called many to extra duties at various establishments around the city. For fun, students visited the cinemas and pools and cruised around and around the downtown area.

Stylish Fashions Reflect

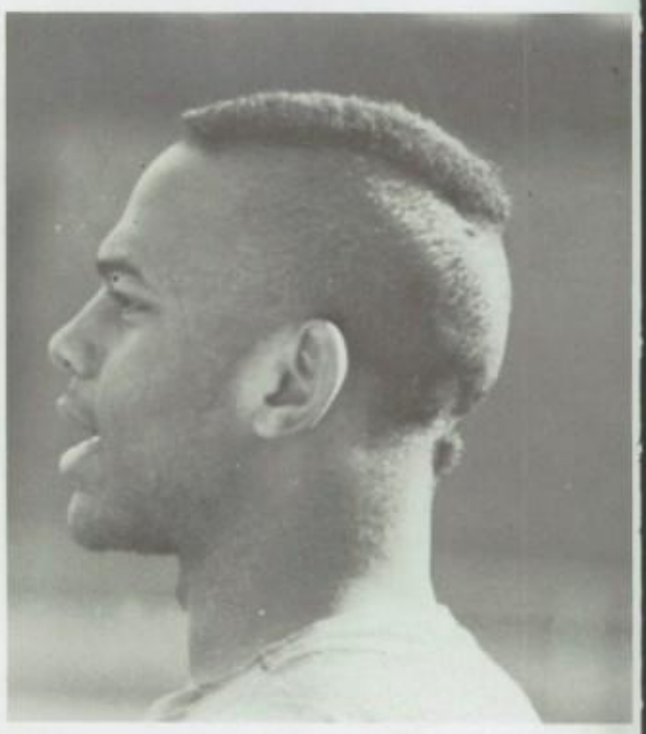
C. Dineen and M. Baker sport the casual look.

VW students reflected the styles and fashions seen in magazines and on the screen. Hair styles became a part of the fashion world. Various geometric shapes created unusual conversational pieces. The girls turned to the banana clips, hairclips, and bows to create unique hairstyles.

Clothing still took precedence in fashion. While the males involved themselves in high fashion with suspenders, flashy jams, and cool sweaters, the females decorated the fashion scene with long knit skirts, bib overalls, mini skirts, and the favorite, sweatpants. Although the styles reflected trends in fashion, students were most comfortable in whatever they deemed appropriate according to their individual tastes.

Mini skirts become popular, as shown by A. Adamy.

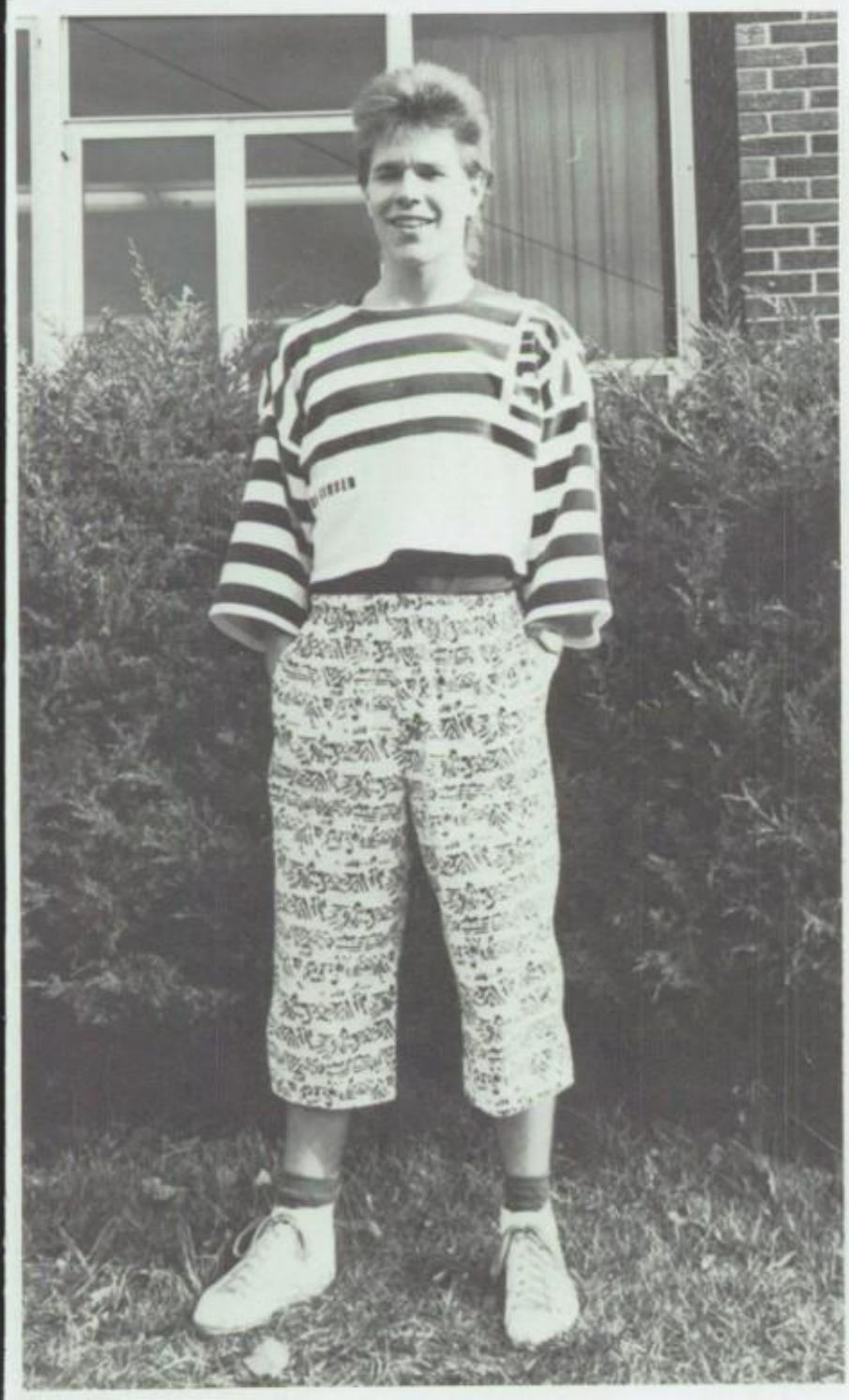
H. Williman's hair looks nice in the trendy banana clip.



A mohawk, ala L. Ingol.

S. Zabicki and A. Bowerslck model knit outfits.

Trends And Individual Tastes



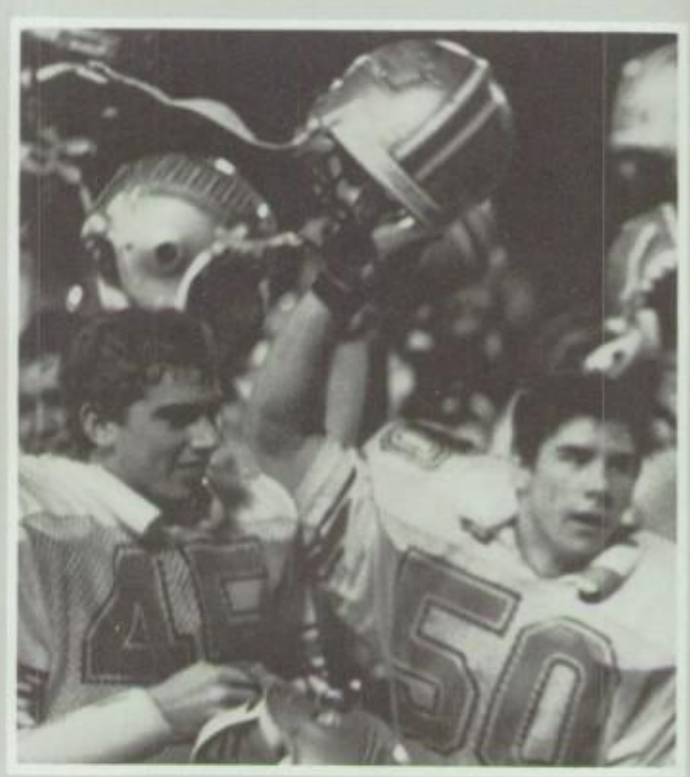
M. Roth models the informal look for males.

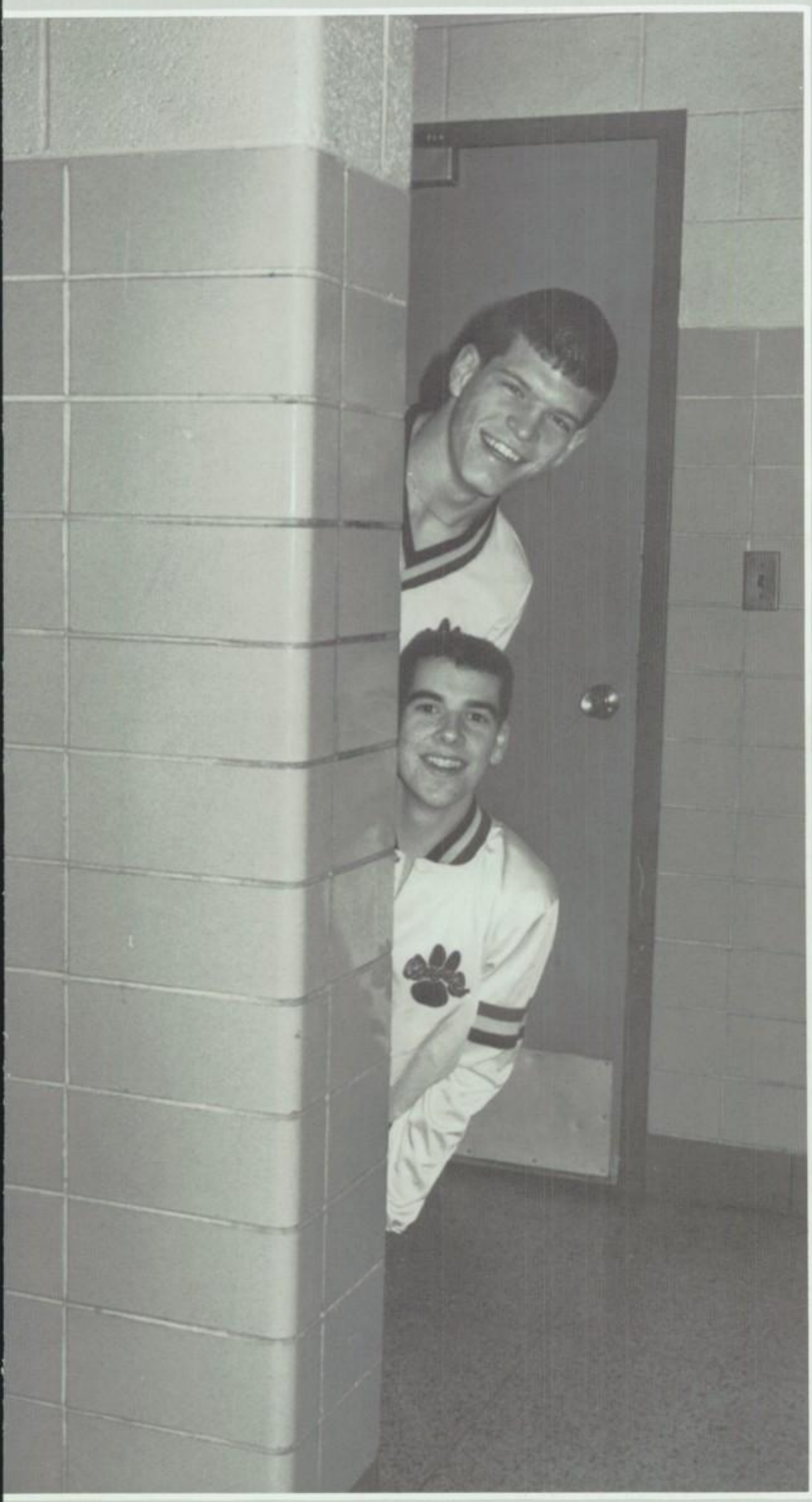
D. Fisk and C. Williams show their team spirit with the latest in haircuts.

Bibs and suspenders are a part of the "jean scene", as displayed by R. Mengerink and N. Proffitt.

Different shoes styles are sported by students.

ATHLETICS



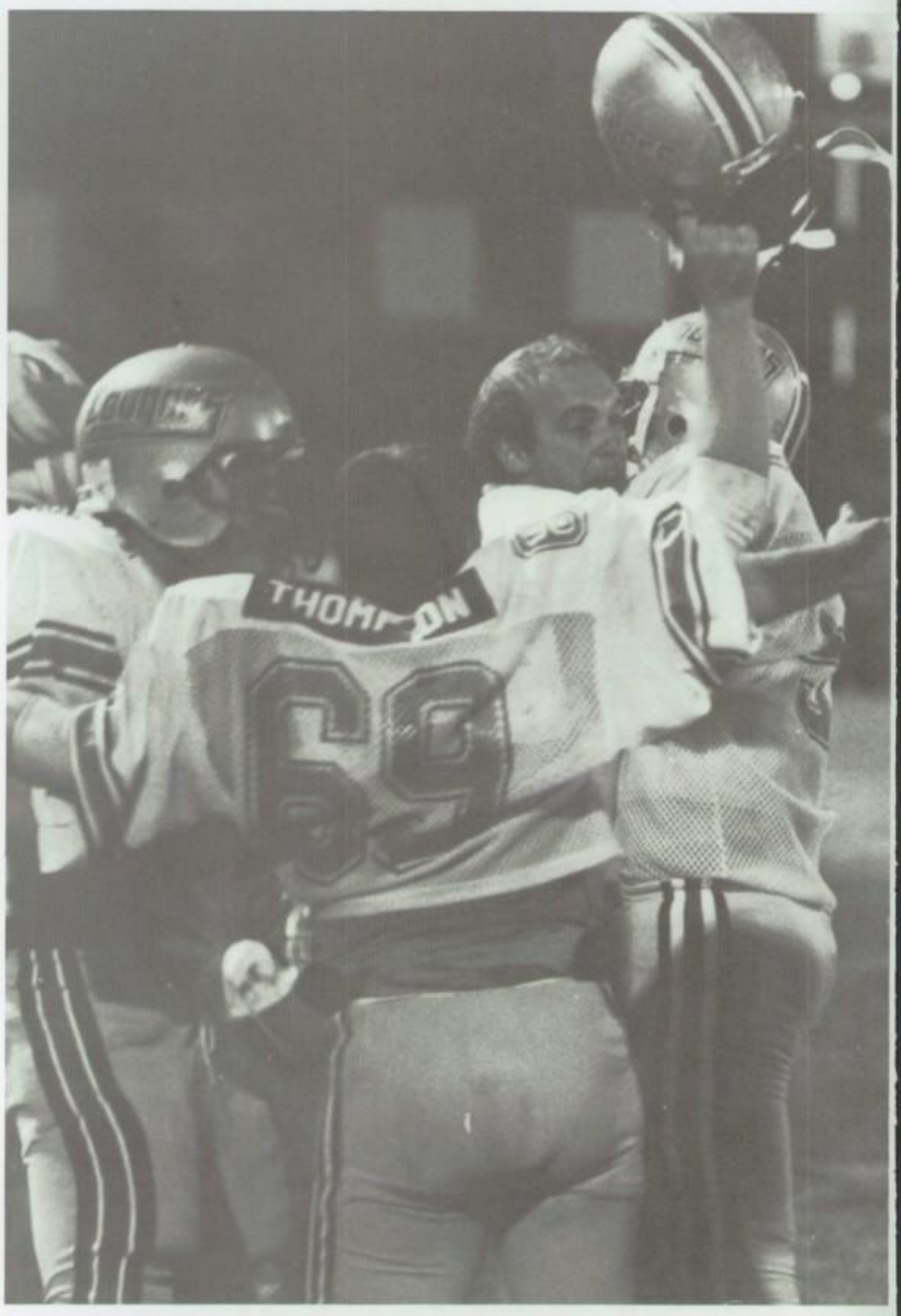


The Cougar Football Team:

In the game against Elida, C. Thompson throws a block against an opposing Bulldog.

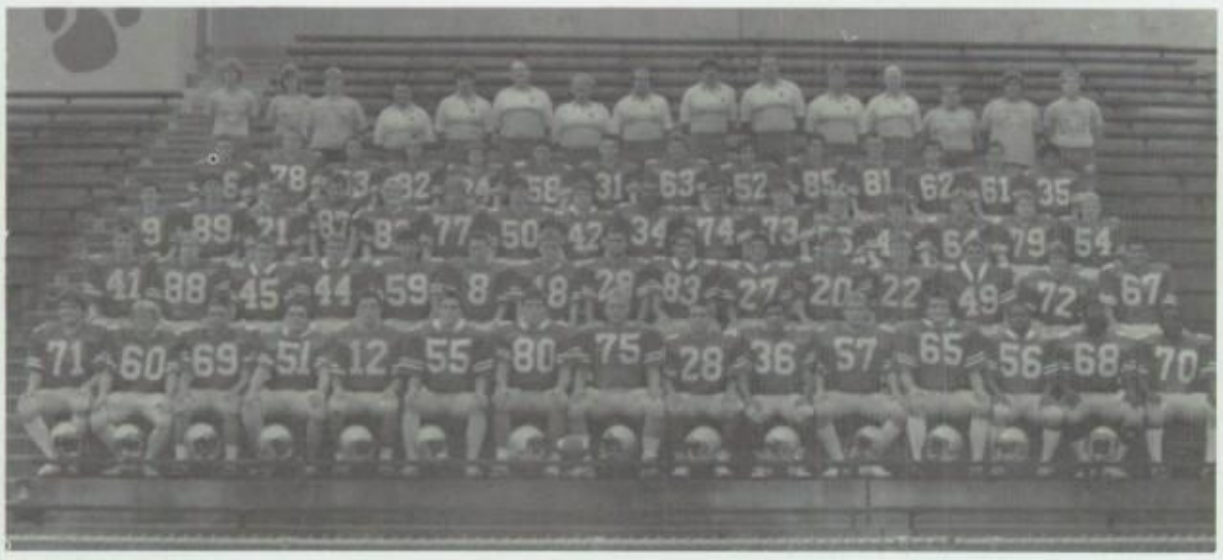
The Van Wert Cougar Football Team utilized their motto, "Whatever It Takes" to the fullest. After winning 5 straight games, the Cougars won a position in the Division III State Playoffs for the second consecutive year. Rated number one defensively and number two offensively in the W.B.L. and Regional runner-up positions, Cougar Football ended its season with an overall record of 8-3.

Outstanding performances on the field aided the successful season of the team. Making 1st Team Offense were M. Hernandez, B. Priest, B. Witherow, and P. Jackson. T. Treece and Witherow captured positions on the 1st Team Defensive Team. 2nd Team Defensive positions went to Jackson, M. Wollet, and J. Moorman. While L. Ingol, R. Mengerink, and J. Stricker accepted Special Mention for defense, M. Moraw, C. Thompson, and T. Cloud were honored with Special Mention for their offensive play. Treece, Defensive Lineman for the Year in the W.B.L., also seized 1st Team All-State honors. As the Offensive Back of the Year in W.B.L., P. Jackson also received 2nd Team All-State honors.

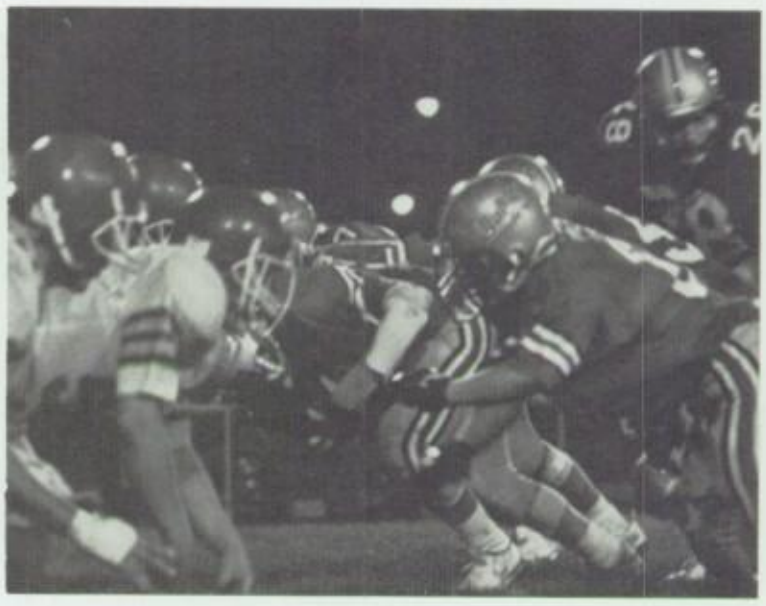


Coach Buti and his players gather to celebrate yet another victory on the home field.

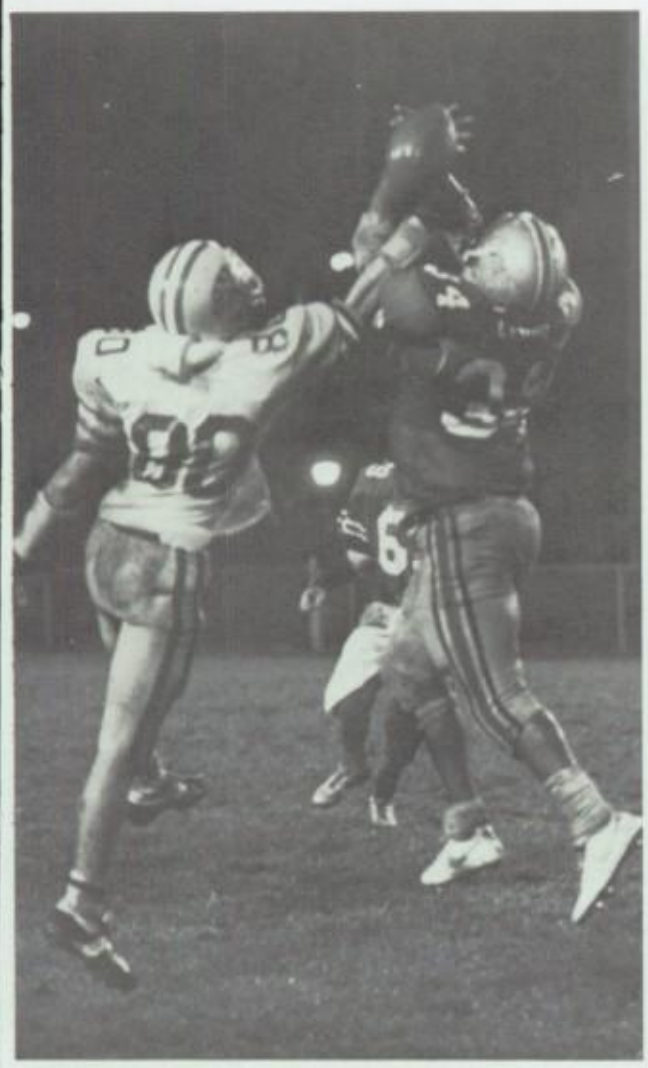
Runners-Up In W.B.L. And Regional Action



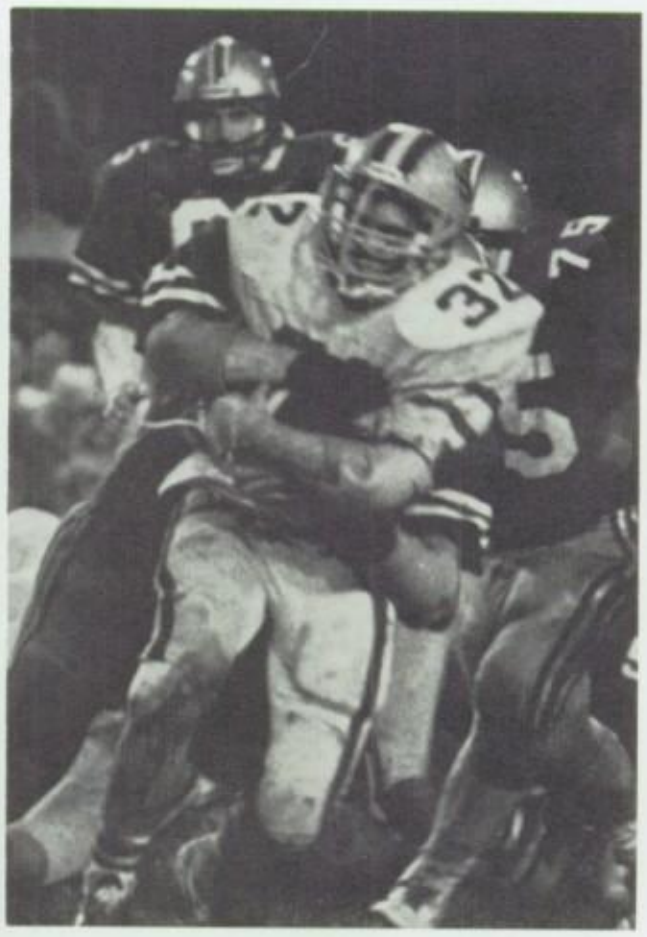
Row 1: C. Jewell, J. Burkheimer, C. Thompson, P. Foreman, A. Heath, M. Wollet, P. Jackson, T. Treece, M. Moraw, M. Hernandez, B. Priest, J. Moorman, L. Ingol, M. Boaz, H. Thomas. *Row 2:* J. Gerold, B. Fawcett, J. Stricker, R. Mengerink, J. Hofmann, B. Spray, A. Collins, J. Gamble, M. Evans, D. Roth, B. Witherow, D. Mitchener, H. Waldron, K. High, S. Dewitt. *Row 3:* G. Mosier, A. Frantz, J.D. Smith, D. Mefferd, J. Habbeger, C. Harter, R. McGough, T. Temple, T. Cloud, M. Paige, G. McCreg, G. Stevens, J. Bonifas, D. Coleman, M. Holtsberry, B. Burkheimer. *Row 4:* B. Miller, M. Sinning, C. Gemmer, E. Reitzel, B. Renner, T.J. Grimm, S. Springer, C. Haller, C. Brubaker, G. Carter, M. Klewer, S. Wamsley, R. Kovar, M. Casarez. *Row 5:* J. Kemnan, L. Layton, D. Taylor, Coach Waldron, Coach Butler, Trainer Edinger, Coach Hittle, Coach Buti, Coach McCauley, Coach Smelser, Coach Bader, D. Smith, A. Agler, J. Miracle.



The strong offensive line fires out, preparing the way for a key play.



Preparing for a long play, T. Cloud goes up for a crucial pass.



The defensive men put an immediate halt to an opponent's attempt for yardage.

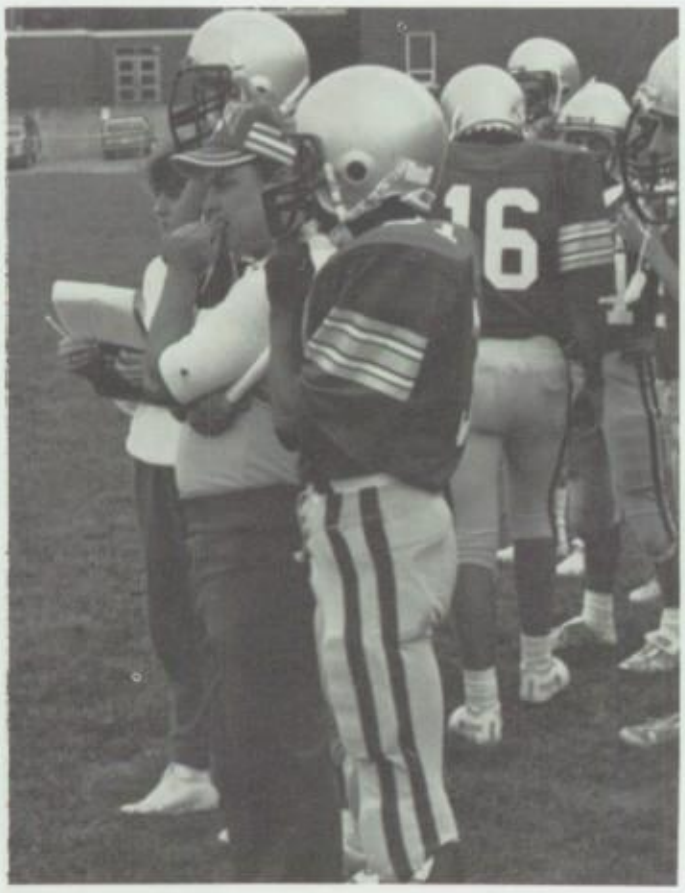
Cougars Are Undefeated At Home

B. Witherow, on a sweep play, gains necessary yardage.

Going for the extra points, M. Boaz executes an all-important kick.

Culminating a strategic play, J. Moorman sacks the quarterback.

Freshman Football Team Exhibits Pride



Coach Waldron watches from the sidelines.

Row 1: A. Dunn, C. Jewell, J. McHugh, C. Brown, B. Boroff, C. Witten, T. Butler, E. Zinn, T. Frantz, K. Hofmann, R. Robeson, J. Mengerink. *Row 2:* Coach T. Edinger, C. Hitchcock, T. Chiles, M. Hallam, D. Jemison, E. Germann, J. Crawford, T. Kleman, S. Sutton, N. Carlton, C. Rollins, B.Chapman, R. Knodel, C. Williams, Coach Waldron.

The offense takes charge.

Kondel rolls to the right, looking for a receiver.

The Freshman Football Team exhibited pride during their season as they worked to improve. Highlights of the season included an overtime victory against Defiance and the total domination of the Kenton Wildcats in the season finale. The team showed vast improvement in their offensive game, and they developed into an aggressive defensive unit by the end of the year.

The captains for the team included T. Kleman, C. Williams, N. Carlton, and R. Knodel. By the end of the season, the team had established a 2-6 record.

Cross Country Team Captures

During the V.W. Invitational, J. Benschneider heads for the finish.

Freshman S. Kraner works to pace himself.

Row 1: T. Butler, E. Rodgers, J. Forwerck, S. Early, S. Kraner, K. Seplak, M. Cox, R. Grandstaff, D. Lewis. *Row 2:* Coach McGonagle, T. Habegger, J. Loughrie, H. Monnig, D. Scheidt, A. Sjokin, T. Bebout, J. Benschsneider, E. Elkenbary, K. Monnig, D. Upton, E. See, M. Elkenbary.

During a dual meet with Paulding, junior D. Upton leads the pack at the beginning of the course.

6 Championships In Invitationals

J.V. thinclads take control of the pack.

H. Monnig strides to maintain this leading edge.

Before the race, M. Sutton and E. See stretch out.

Senior co-captain D. Scheidt finishes for another varsity victory.

S. Early completes the 5 kilometer run.

The 1986 edition of the Van Wert High School Boys Cross Country Team produced a very successful season. Six championships were attained in area invitationals. Van Wert placed 1st out of 10 teams at Wayne Trace, 1st of 8 teams at Celina, 1st of 17 teams at Bucyrus, 1st of 8 teams at Spencerville, 1st of 9 teams at Van Wert, and 1st of 6 teams at Coldwater. A 5th place finish out of 35 teams at the Tiffin Invitational and a 2nd place finish in the W.B.L. also highlighted the team's success. By the end of the season, the team had compiled a 9-1 dual meet record. Although the Cougars missed qualifying for the regional tournament by a mere 3 points, they were ranked in the top 10 in the State during most of the regular season.

Individuals played a key role. Junior D. Upton had an outstanding season. He won top individual honors in 2 major invitationals, was named to 1st Team All W.B.L., and qualified for the Regional Meet in Tiffin. R. Grandstaff, experiencing his first taste of high school athletics, won the 1986 Most Improved Runner Award and joined Upton as a member of the 1st Team All W.B.L. Ms. Cox won the "Leader of the Pack" Award and joined senior J. Loughrie on the 2nd Team All WBL.

Girls Cross Country Team Debuts At V.W.H.S.

In its initial showing, the Girls Cross Country Team concluded the season with a 30-39 record and 3-8 league record, giving them 6th place in the W.B.L. At the Van Wert Invitational, the girls received the 2nd place position. Although the team obtained 3rd place in the Wayne Trace Invitational, it was at this meet that individuals accomplished their best times.

Several team members received recognition at the end of the season. Sophomore L. Cowan received the Most Valuable Award, while sophomore A. Jemison obtained the Most Improved Award. Varsity letters went to Juniors W. Fackler, S. Putman, and L. Cowan for their accomplishments during the grueling season.

L. Cowan and S. Putman head for the finish line.

A. Jemison nears the end of the race.

Maintaining her pace, M. Sutton skirts the reservoir.

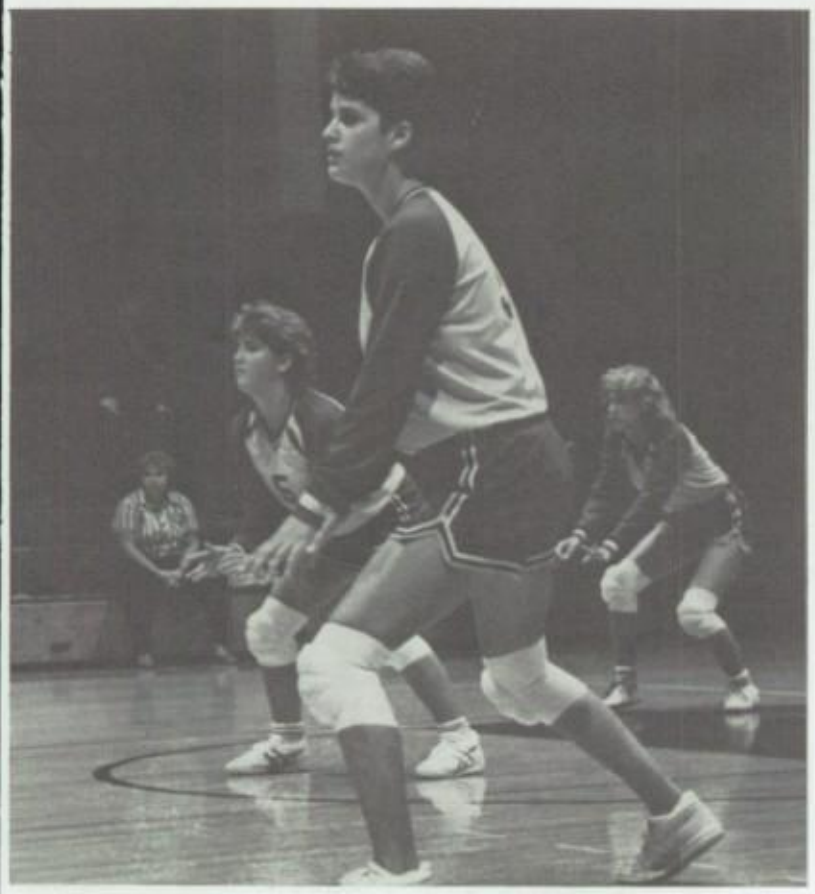
Row 1: W. Fackler, L. Cowan, M. Sutton, A. Jeimison. *Row 2:* Mrs. Benschneider, M. Cox, N. Cyr, S. Putman.

J.V. Volleyball Team Opens With 7 Wins

At a crucial moment, C. Butler passes the ball for a set.

J. Dunlap responds quickly and readies the ball for a spike.

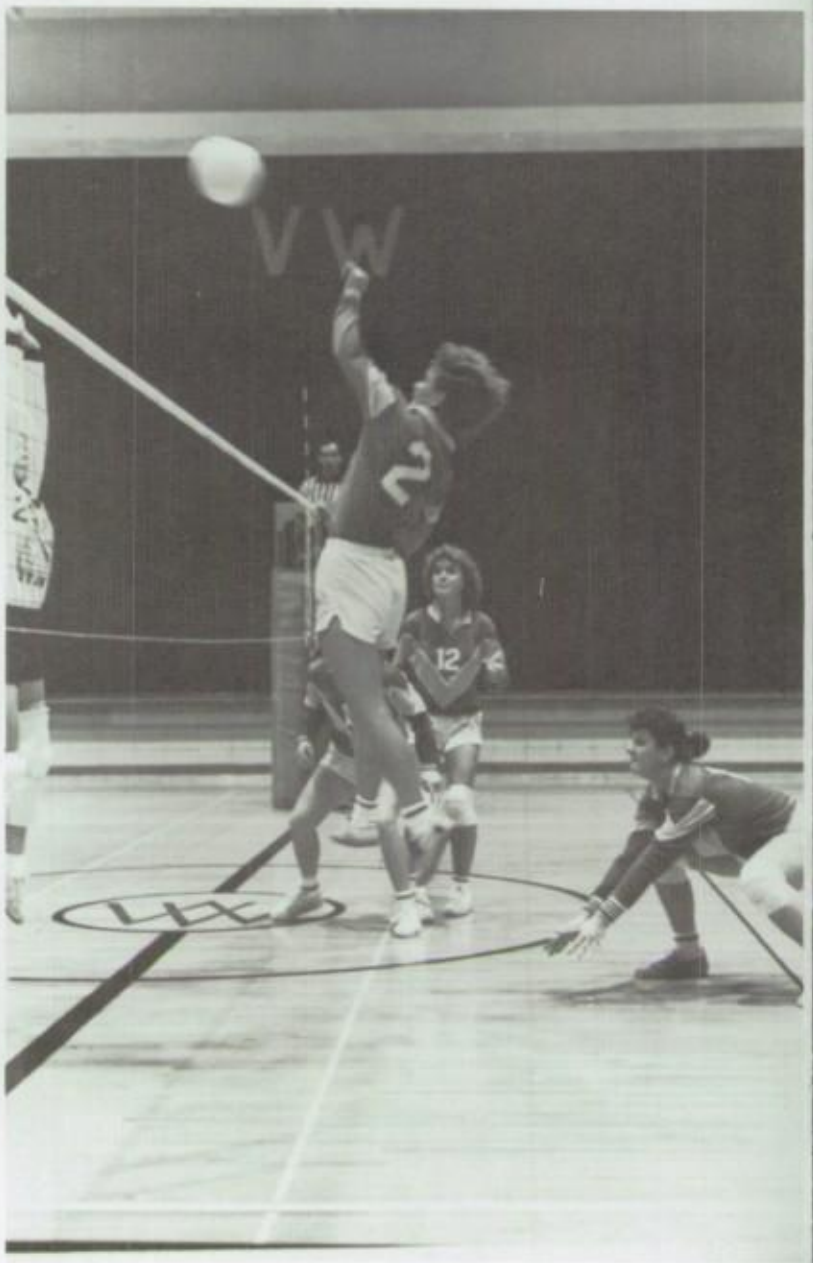
Row 1: A. Good, S. Linton, S. Waldron, C. Butler, G. Kramer, G. Karnes. *Row 2:* Coach Thomas, A. Mathew, E. Eikenbary, J. Bailey, K. Karnes.



The 1986-87 Junior Varsity Volleyball Team enjoyed an outstanding season, posting a 13-6 overall record. This mark tied for the second best record set by any j.v. team at Van Wert High School. With 7 straight victories, the team also set the record for the best start of a season. Pacing the team was setter – captain, S. Linton. The team's overall success, however, was a direct result of the teamwork, confidence, and experience displayed by the participants.

V.W. Volleyballers Finish

Eyes on the ball, K. Ford sets the ball for her teammates.



Senior J. Kramer takes to the air for another devastating spike.

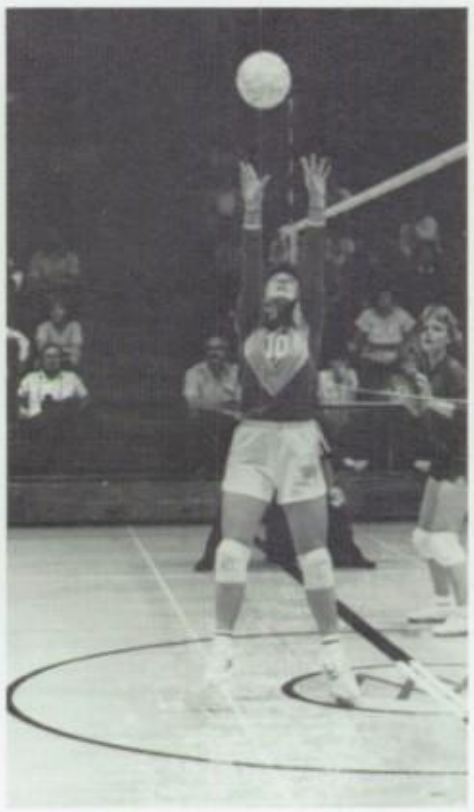
Row 1: J. Moraw, T. Pohlman, C. Temple, E. Eikenbary. *Row 2:* C. Grant, J. Kramer, J. Anderson, V. Creed, K. Ford. *Row 3:* Coach Hurless, S. Waldron, K. O'Sullivan, J. Dunlap, Coach Thomas.

Moving rapidly, T. Pohlman recovers with an effective "bump."

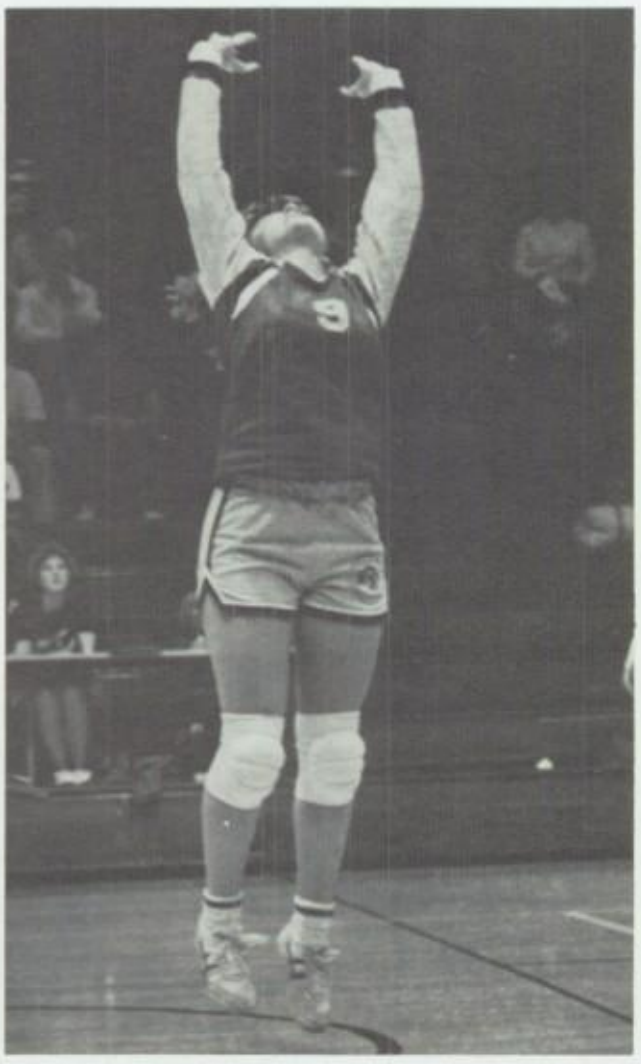
Season As District Runners-up

C. Temple provides a necessary block in the corner.

Junior J. Moraw covers the corner net with quick action.



he ball is set in motion with a strong serve by . O'Sullivan.



Responding quickly, C. Temple uses a backset to aid her teammates.

A "pleasant surprise" was how the 1986-87 Lady Spikers were referred to at the conclusion of their very successful season. Passing, setting, and spiking their way to a district runners-up finish, the girls won 17 matches and lost 9, the second best record in the school's history. The team played together and never quit. Because they came from behind in nearly every victory they had, they earned the name "Cardiac Kids." The team finished in a 3rd place tie in the W.B.L. and in 3rd place in the Shawnee Invitational.

Following losses to St. Johns and Celina, the team was victorious in its next five matches over Lincolnview, Defiance, Coldwater, Wapak, and Wayne Trace. Paulding gave V.W. a loss, as did Crestview following a St. Marys victory. The remainder of the season brought wins over Ottawa, Lima Senior, Jefferson, Shawnee, Wapak, Upper Sciota Valley, L.C.C., and Bath. In tournament, V.W. defeated Ottawa, Bryan, and Kenton but finally fell to Delta.

Special awards went to several players. C. Grant had the best service ace percentage; J. Kramer, best serve percentage; C. Temple, best setting percentage and W.B.L. Honorable Mention; J. Moraw, best attack percentage and W.B.L. Special Mention; T. Pohlman, best digger; W.B.L. 1st Team, and District 8 1st Team; and K. Ford, best passing percentage – W.B.L. 1st Team – District District 8 1st Team, and District 8 All-Star Match Player.

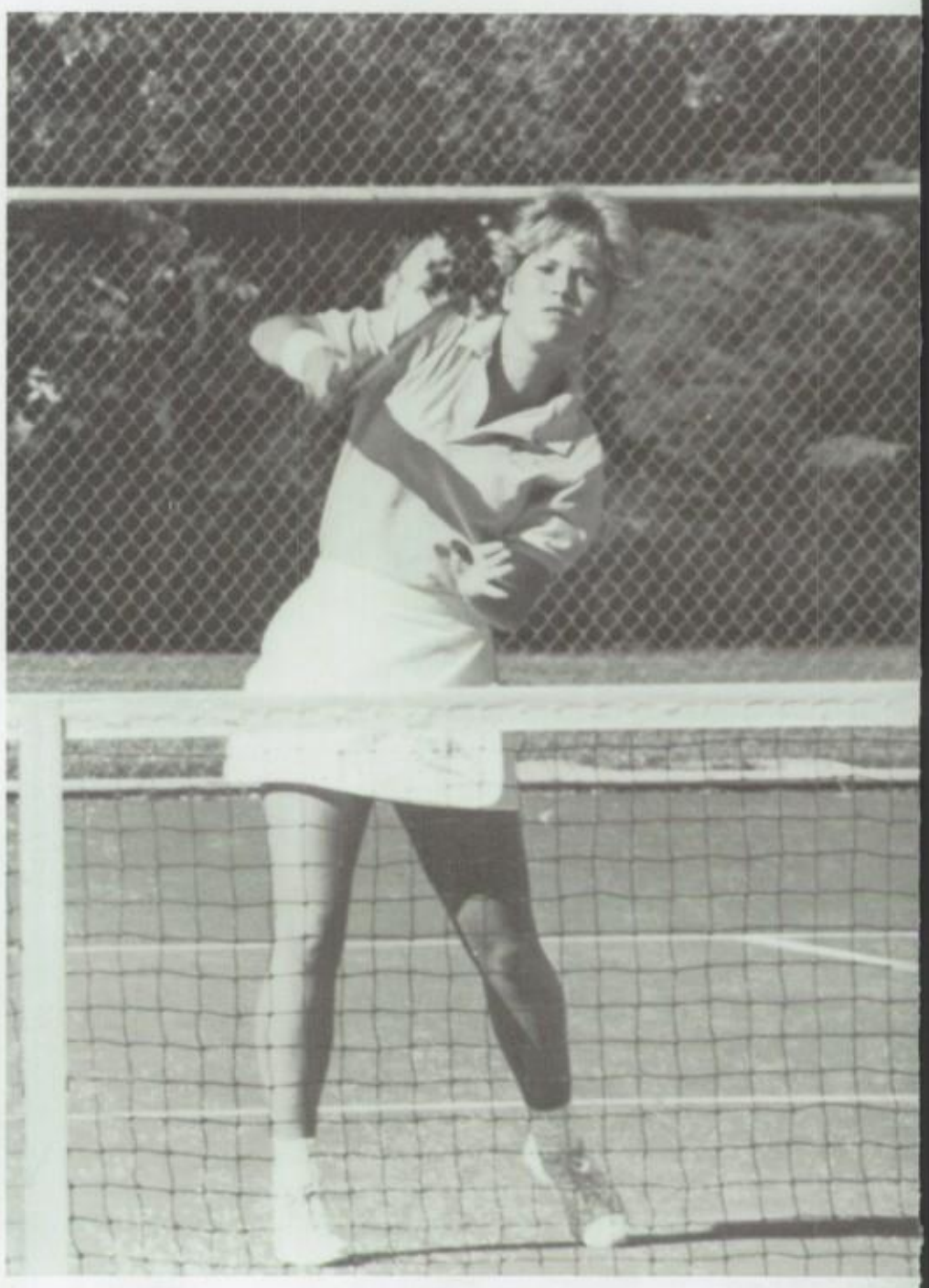
Girls' Tennis: A Team

A victory over Lima Bath opened league play for the 1986 Girls' Tennis Team. The next 5 league matches ended with a tally mark in the loss column, although this did not properly reflect the girls' hard work and dedication. A second victory was captured from Kenton, for a W.B.L. record of 2-7 and an overall record of 2-11.

The Cougars were led by the consistent play of seniors C. Grimm and C. Hoverman at first doubles. This duo posted a season record of 10-6 and reached semi-final play in both league and district tournaments. Senior V. Sterrett and junior C. Dunlap paired up for a semi-final round finish in district play as well.

Two players were honored at the season's end for their dedication and talent. C. Grimm received the Most Valuable Player Award. I. Kubo, an exchange student from Japan, received the Most Improved Player Award.

A. Ravipati brings her racket up to return the volley to her opponent.



Senior varsity player v. Sterrett, having just slammed a shot, remains close to the ne

With International Flair

I Kubo, the exchange student from Japan, finds tennis an exciting, highly rewarding form of competition.

Row 1: I. Kubo, Y. Pak, A. Ravipati, S. Williamson, H. Pak. *Row 2:* Coach Flory, C. Grimm, C. Dunlap, V. Sterrett, C. Hovereman, A. Carlson.

Between points, C. Grimm finds a moment to catch her breath.

The Cougar Golf Team

Freshman T. Kennedy practices putting on the green.

Stranded in the rough, J. Fast heads for greener turf.

With a season record of 18 wins and 5 losses and a W.B.L. record of 5 wins and 4 losses, the 1986 Golf Team ended another successful year. After the team suffered a mid-season slump, it rebounded by capturing first place at the District AA Tournament in Lima, with a score of 325. Individually, S. Stepelton led the team with a 74 and seized medalist honors. Advancing to the Regional Tournament in Columbus, the Cougars placed third, with a total score of 341. Led by Stepelton, a 4 year letter winner and 1st team All-District 8 player; G. Palombi, a 3 year letter winner and 2nd team All-District player; and R. Sink, a 2 year letter winner, the team advanced to the State Golf Tournament for the third time in the past four years. After finishing as the State Runner-up team in 1985, the Cougars placed 7th out of a field of 12 teams in 1986.

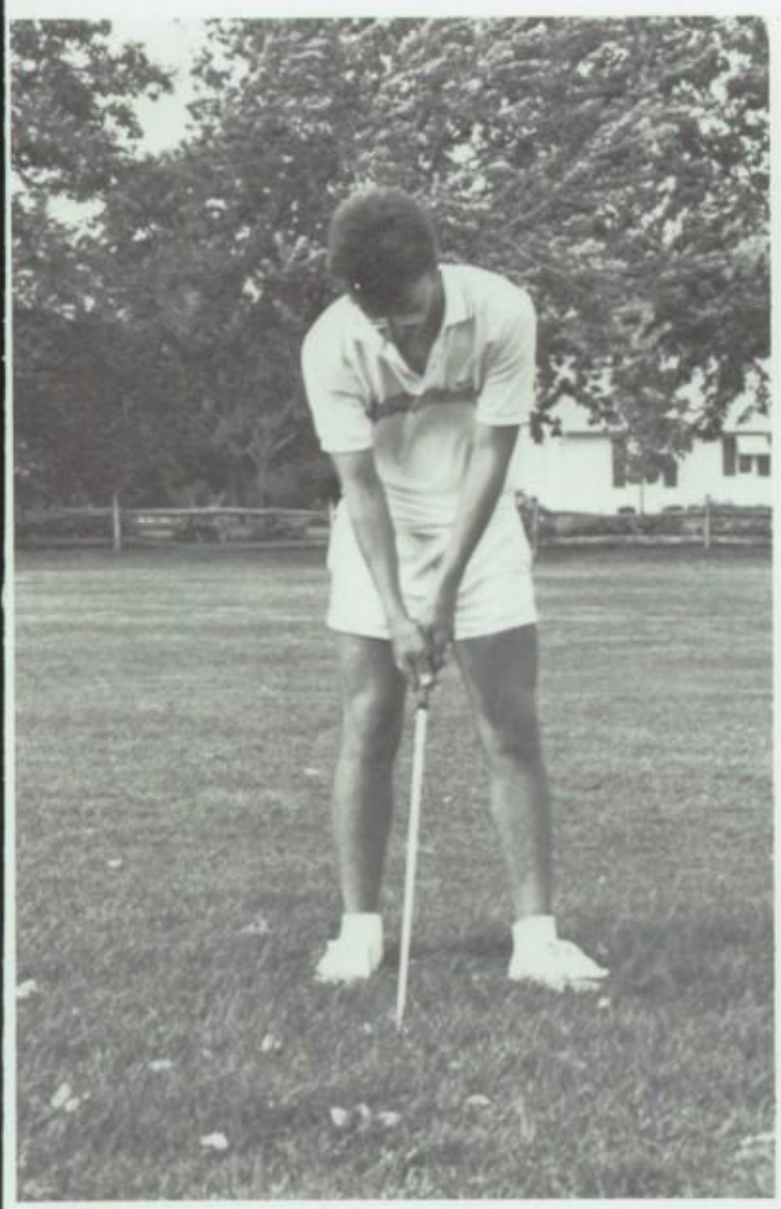
The senior class will be missed, but the underclassmen provided a crop of players, led by letter winners B. Beck and J. Kennedy. Junior varsity players T. Coleman, B. Clay, K. Smith, J. Thatcher, and P. Loftis led the team to a 20-4 record during the season, and they will fill in the ranks left empty by the seniors.

Varsity Team: *Row 1:* J. Fast, G. Cross. *Row 2:* G. Palombi, R. Sink, T. Kennedy, S. Stepelton, B. Beck.

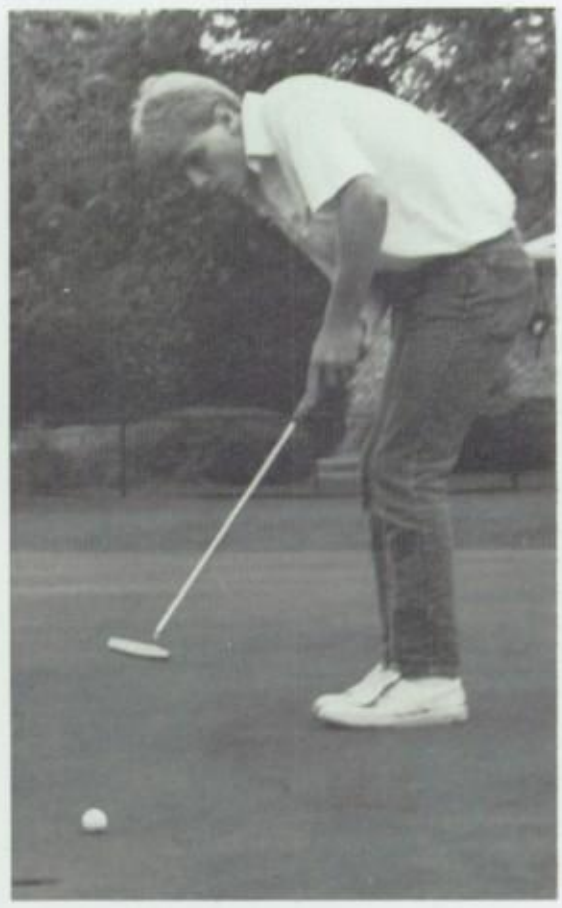
Places 7th In State Tournament

Junior Varsity Team: *Row 1:* C. Wermer, T. Turnwald, R. Grossheim. *Row 2:* K. Smith, B. Clay, J. Thatcher, T. Coleman, P. Loftis.

S. Stepelton works himself out of a trap.



Using great concentration, senior G. Palombi lines up an important shot.



Golfer B. Beckman prepares to sink a crucial putt.

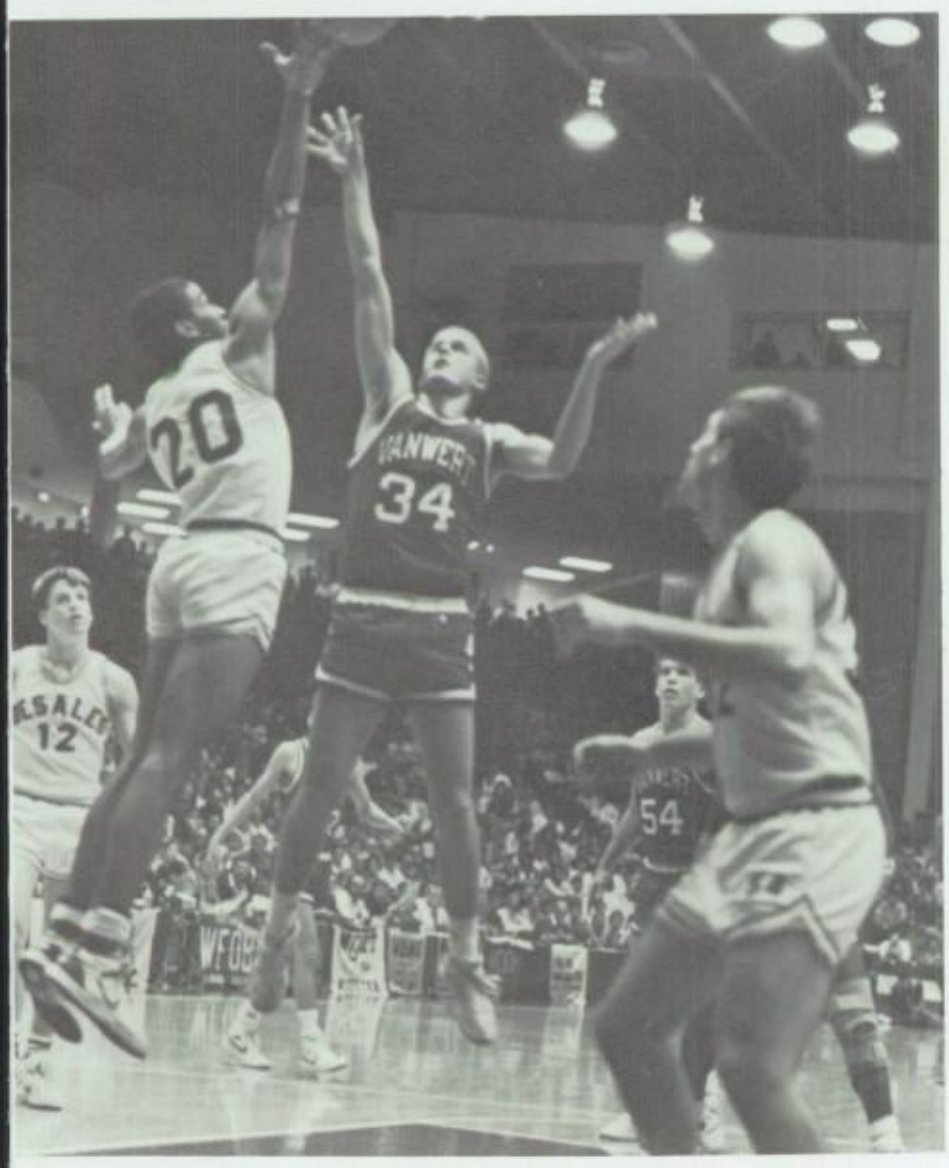
Cougar Basketball Team Boards

Row 1: J. Mengerink, Mgr., A. Mechling, C. Crosby, T. Eikenbary, M. Bagley, B. Witherow, D. Scheidt, E. Holtzberry Mgr. Row 2: Coach Noftz, L. Moonshower, P. Jackson, B. Benschneider, B. Spray, M. Evans, J. Closson, Coach Branfield.

Under pressure, senior D. Scheidt shoots.

Spray looks for a fellow teammate to whom he can pass the ball, ensuring two points.

The Dayton Express For State Tournament



"Moooooooooooo!"

B. Spray boxes out.

The Cougars' 1986-87 basketball season was a season of dreams come true. Led by seven seniors, four of which were starters, The Cougars captured their own Holiday Tournament, established a record for most wins in a season (22), recorded sectional, district, and regional championships, and eventually landed a state tournament berth. Wins over Wayne Trace in the holiday finals and Willard in the regional championship generated excitement for fans of all ages. Under the direction of Head Coach K. Noftz, the Cougars exceeded the highest expectations. Consequently, the school and community supported the team on the Dayton Express.

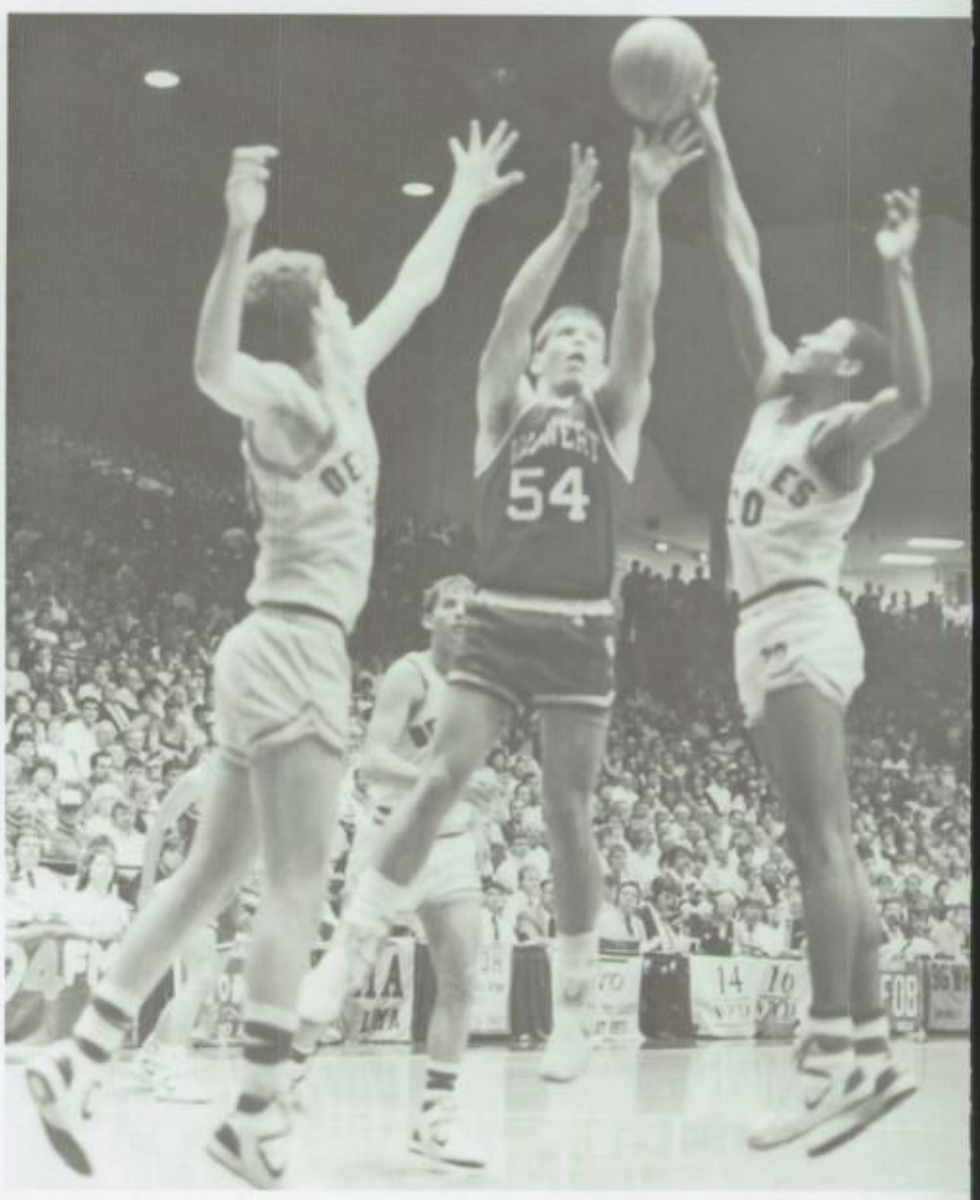
Individual player honors were plentiful. Senior P. Jackson was named to 1st Team All League, 1st Team All District 8, and All State Tournament Team. During the Holiday Tournament, his play earned him the MVP Award. At the end of the season, Jackson had scored 1123 career points during his four years of play. Senior T. Eikenbary was selected as 1st Team All League, 1st Team All District 8, 2nd Team All District (AP), Honorable Mention All Ohio (AP), Special Mention All Ohio (UPI), and All Tournament Team in the Holiday Tournament. L. Moonshower, another senior, was named 2nd Team All League, 3rd Team All District (AP), and selected to play in the District All Star Game. Individually, Moonshower had the most consecutive free throws, with 26, and the best free throw percentage of the season, at 89%. Senior A. Mechling received 2nd Team All WBL and District 8, and was selected to play in the District 8 All Star Game.

Team statistics reflected the persistence and dedication shown on the court. Van Wert produced the best win-loss record in history, with 22 wins and 4 losses; WBL victories stood at 7. Five tournament victories were captured. Total scored points for the season stood at 1793. Van Wert had its best field goal percentage, at 51%, and its best free throw percentage, at 71%.

The 1986-87 team proved that dreams do come true. Both the young and old of Van Wert had their visions answered by this year's team.

Cougars On The Go

"Mech", the leader of the offense during the games, tries again.



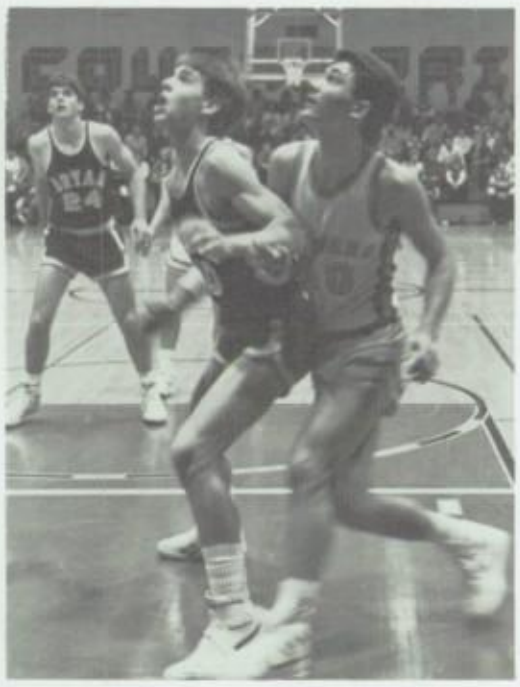
The astounding P. Jackson rushes the basket, scoring yet another two points for the team.

L. Moonshower looks up for a possible rebound.

B. Spray passes inside.

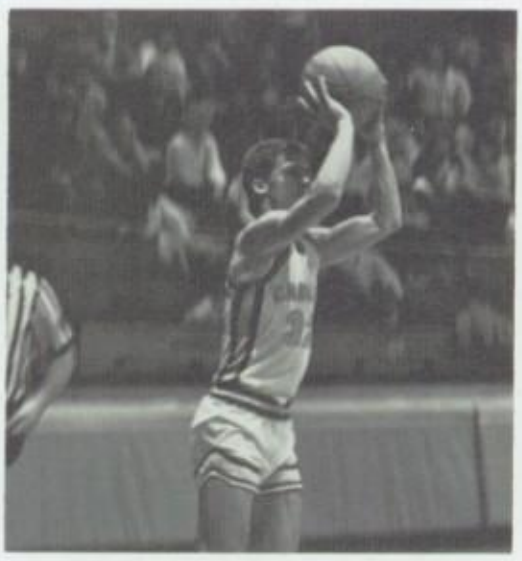
J.V. Team Places 1st In W.B.L.

Players under the hoop prepare for the rebound.

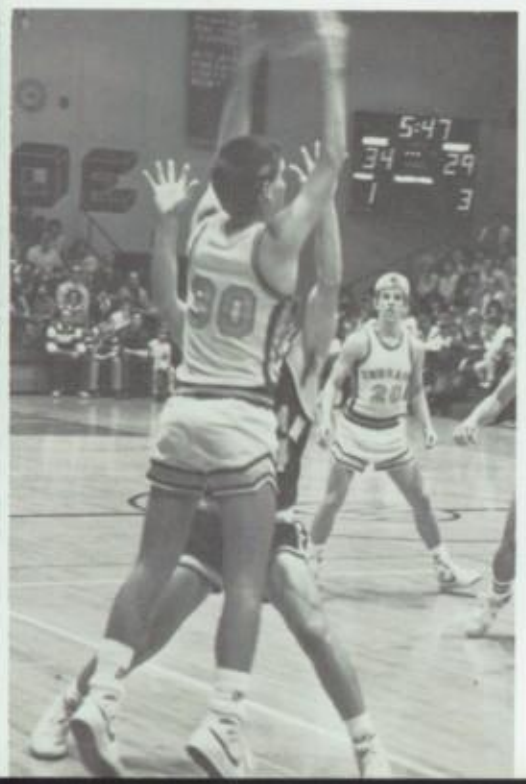


S. Neate waits for a chance to recover the ball.

Row 1: S. Foster, B. Witherow, J. Scheidt, G. Mosier, M. Bagley, M. Minnig. *Row 2:* Coach Noftz, T. Hofmann, M. Sinning, B. Dunham, B. Benschneider, S. Neate, E. Holtzberry, Coach Branfield.



S. Foster composes himself before a crucial shot.

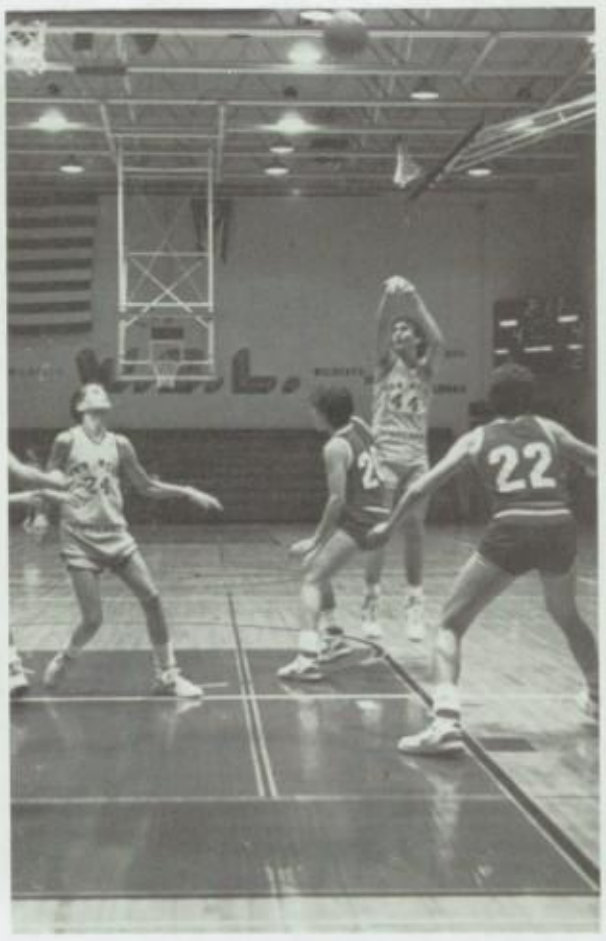


Witherow shoots!

The JV Basketball Team finished the season in first place, with a 19-1 overall record and a 9-0 record in the W.B.L. This was the best season recorded by a jv team. A series of victories over formidable opponents from Ottawa Glandorf, St. Johns, and Shawnee fired up the team. Each team had had a strong record prior to meeting VW. Following this three game span, the young Cougars steamrolled through the remainder of the season.

Key plays came from several individuals. B. Witherow led the scoring for the season. S. Neate was the leading rebounder, while S. Foster led in assists. The key starter for the season was B. Benschneider. M. Bagley was recognized for his strong, consistent play.

Freshmen End With 10-4 Record



C. Williams takes a jump shot from the top of the key.

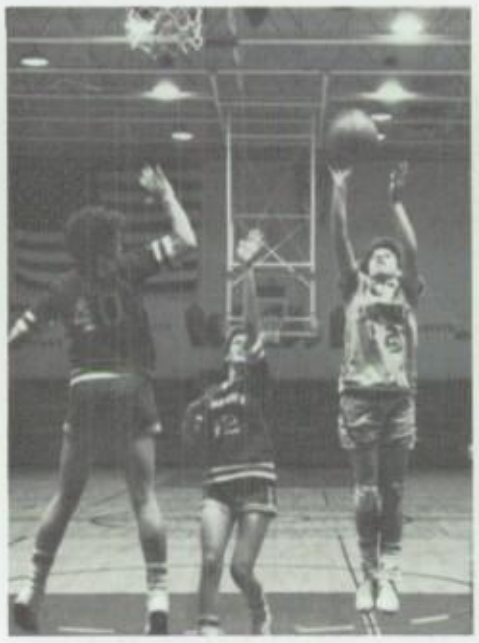
R. Knodel prepares to score as he drives along the baseline.

The Freshman Basketball Team was a hardworking team in 1987. Their determination paid off when they upset Lima Shawnee, which was 8 and 1 at the time of play. The following 7 games created some difficulties and problems for team members, however. During the second half of the season, the team won only 2 of its 4 games. Going into tournament, the young Cougars were ready to meet Wapak, but they lost in the first round. The team then finished with a 10 and 4 record for the season.

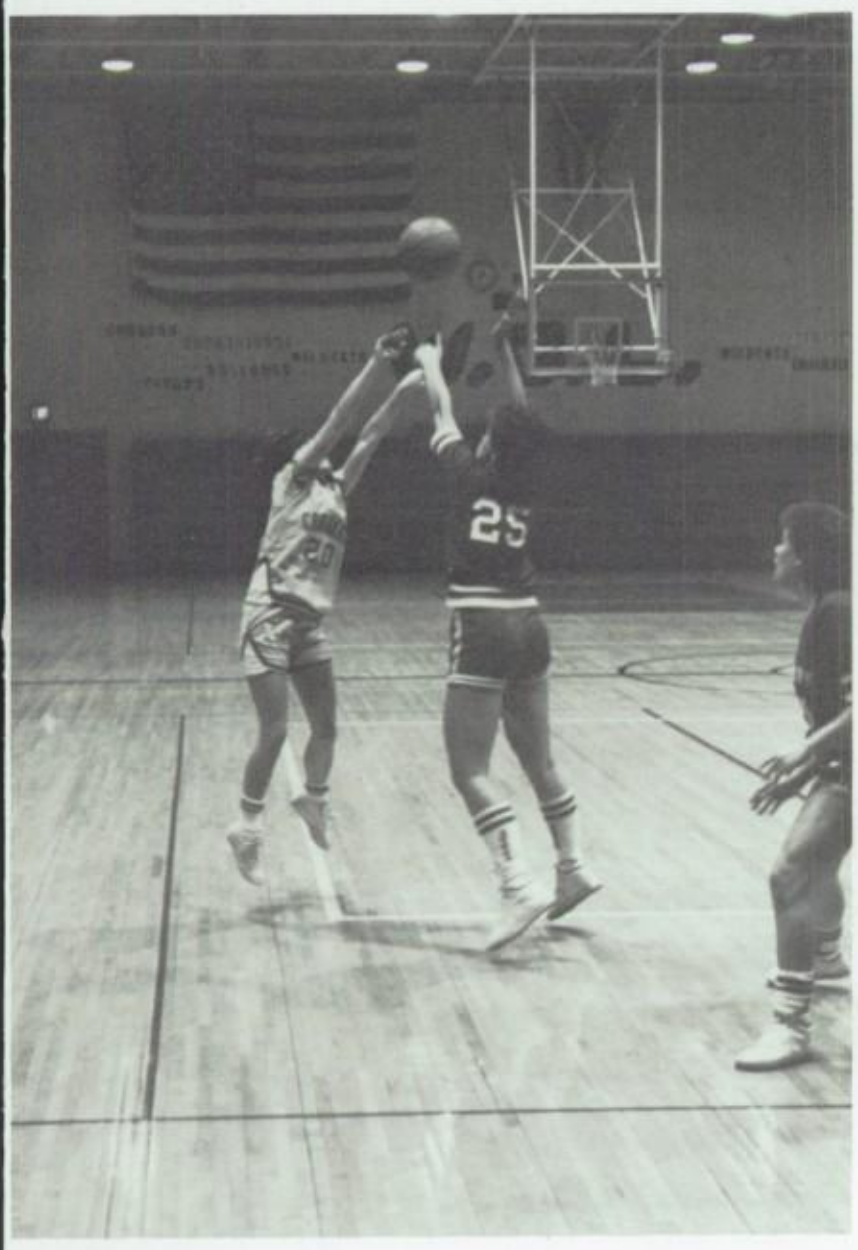
Row 1: T. Bell, D. Fisk, B. Robeson, C. Witten, D. Sink, E. Houg. *Row 2:* Coach Bader, C. Brown, N. Carlton, T. Kleman, R. Knodel, S. Sutton, C. Williams, S. Kraner.

J.V. Girls Stress Hard Work And Dedication

C. Slater pauses, looking for an open teammate.



K. Karnes puts up a shot.



S. Waldron attempts a pass to an inside player for a key play and basket.

Row 1: C. Slater, C. Baxter, S. Waldron, C. Rawlins, L. Sheets. *Row 2:* Coach Flory, J. Cross, S. Meyers, J. Dunlap, A. Good, K. Karnes, A. Birnam, Coach Stalter.

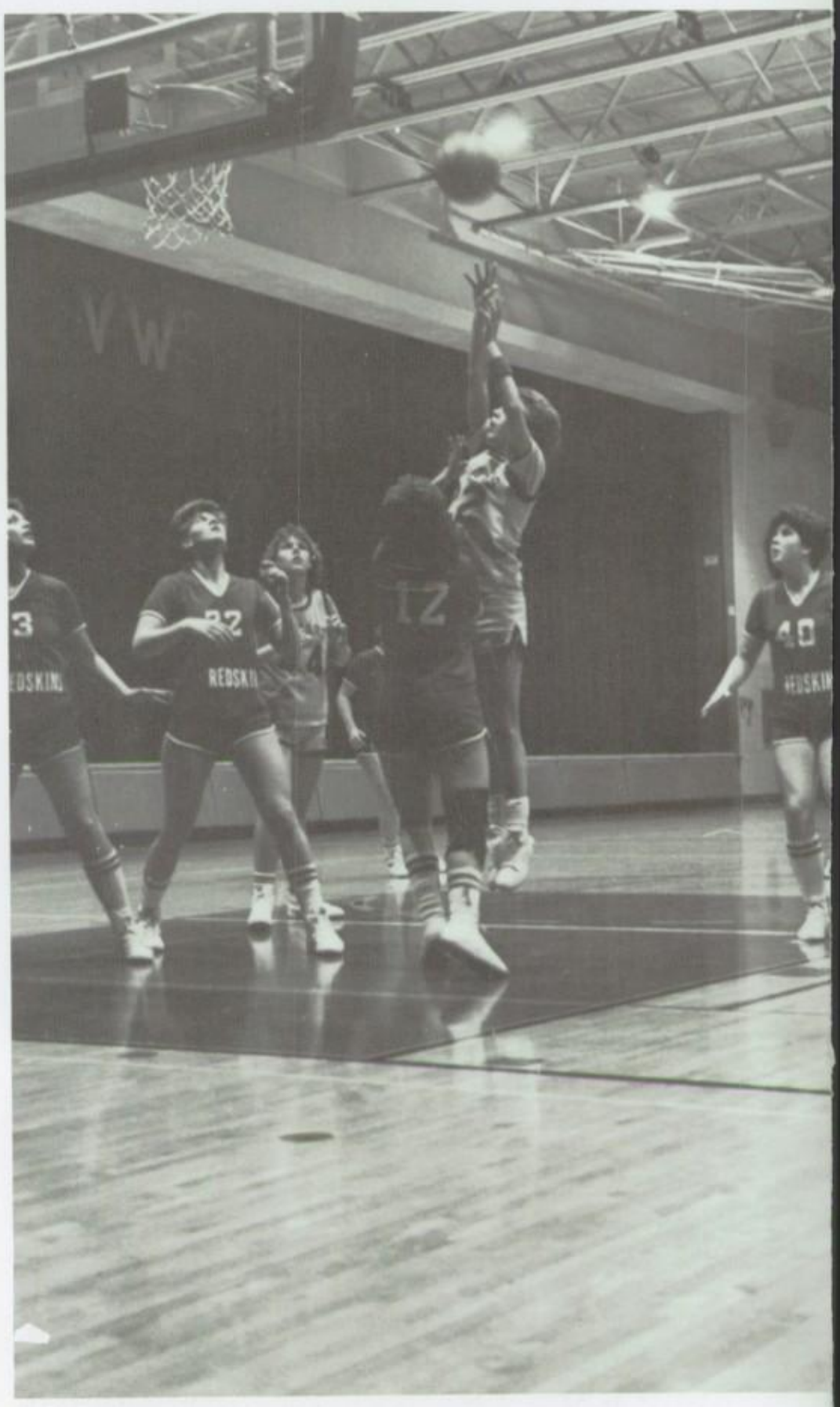
The JV Team ended the season with an overall record of 2-18. This tally, however, did not reflect the hard work and dedication of the eleven man squad. The experience gained at the junior varsity level will be valuable asset for the upcoming seasons.

The team was led in field goal shooting percentages by sophomore C. Slater, followed by J. Bailey and J. Dunlap. Key rebounders included K. Karnes, S. Waldron, and Dunlap. Karnes also led the team in assists.

The Lady Cougar Basketball Team

Outside shooting skills are necessary tools.

The girls basketball team ended their regular season with a record of 5-15. They started their season with a double overtime victory over Parkway. After a series of disappointing losses, they won four of the remaining nine regular season games and finished with a WBL record of 3-6. In tournament action against St. Marys, the girls lost by only 2 points. Senior K. Ford captured many of the awards including all league 1st team WBL, District 8 All-Star Game, Best Free Throw Percentage, High Scorer, 4 year letter winner, and she tied with Senior T. Kreischer for the most steals. Kreischer also received special mention WBL, Best field goal percentage, and best positive rating. While Senior A. Culler was rewarded with the Most Assists, Sophomore J. Klemen received Honorable Mention WBL and most rebounds. The girls finished with an overall record of 5-16.



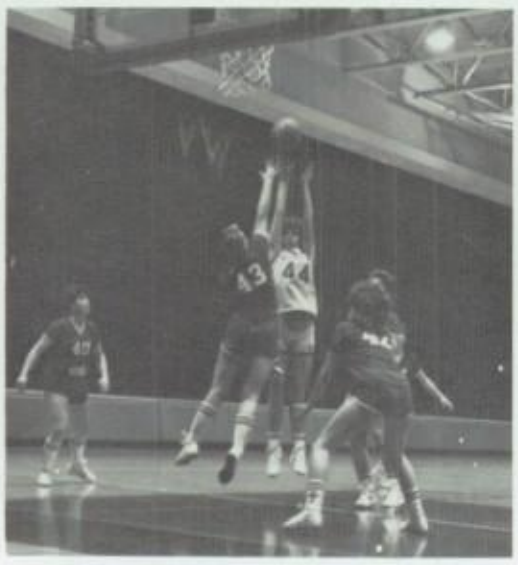
A. Culler shoots over an on-looking defender.

Ends With 3-6 W.B.L. Record

Row 1: J. Bailey, D. Breece, K. Ford, T. Pohlman, C. Temple, K. Schaadt. *Row 2:* Coach Flory, D. Schaberg, W. Dunlap, C. Dunlap, J. Kleman, A. Culler, T. Kreischer, Coach Stalter.

T. Kreischer boxes out.

A. Culler drives in for a lay-up.



J. Kleman shoots two from the point.

Taking it to the inside. Ford maneuvers for space to shoot.

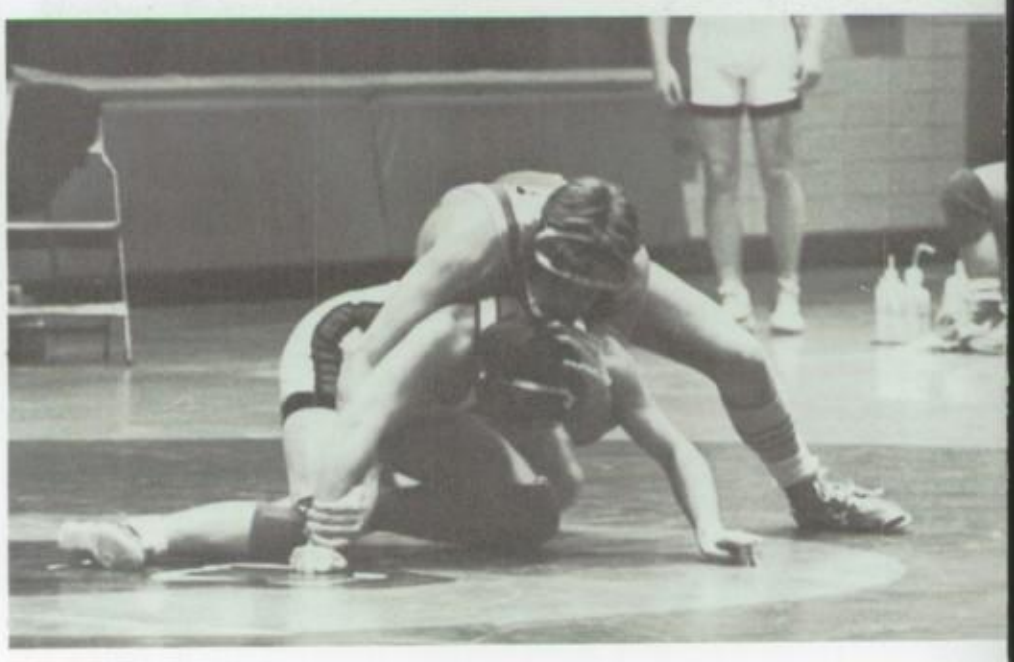
Wrestling Team Captures

As E. Wise works on his opponent, the strain is reflected in his face.

Row 1: C. Barnes, K. Hofmann, E. Keipper, J. Stricker, D. Finkhousen. *Row 2:* R. Mengerink, T. Temple, R. McGough, C. Haller, P. Foreman, J. Burkheimer.

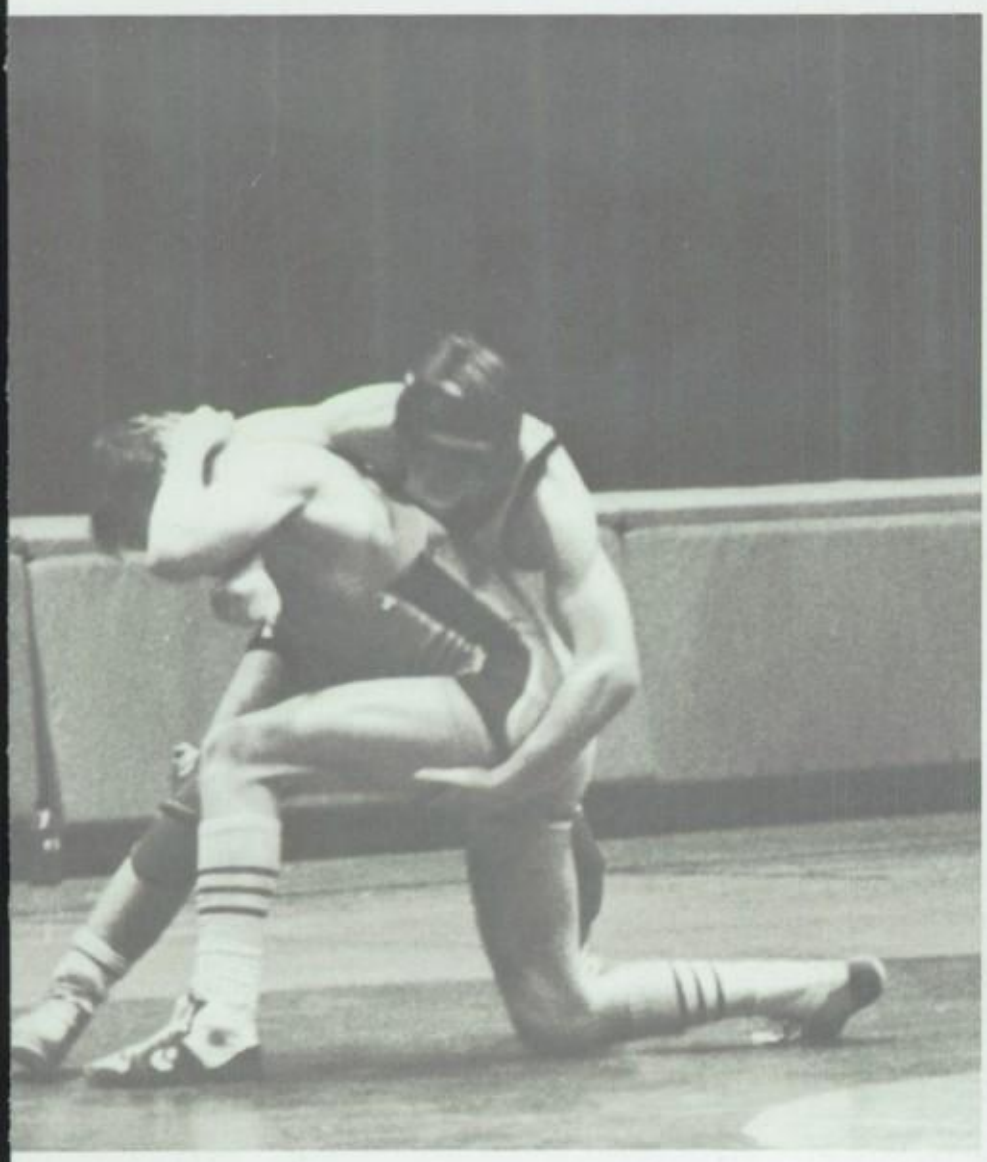
The Van Wert Wrestling Team tied Defiance and Wapak for second place in the W.B.L., with a record of 7-2 and an over-all record of 8-2. Van Wet's matmen averaged 48.4 points per match, giving up only 18 points to the opponents per match. The Cougars defeated Defiance, the perennial powerhouse of the league, by half a point during tournament action. In the Carey Classic, VW captured first place from a field of 8 teams. Following a 3rd place finish in the Northwest District, the team sent 8 qualifiers to Regional Tournament. Nine Cougar matmen participated in the Lima Area Wrestling Coaches Association All-Star Match.

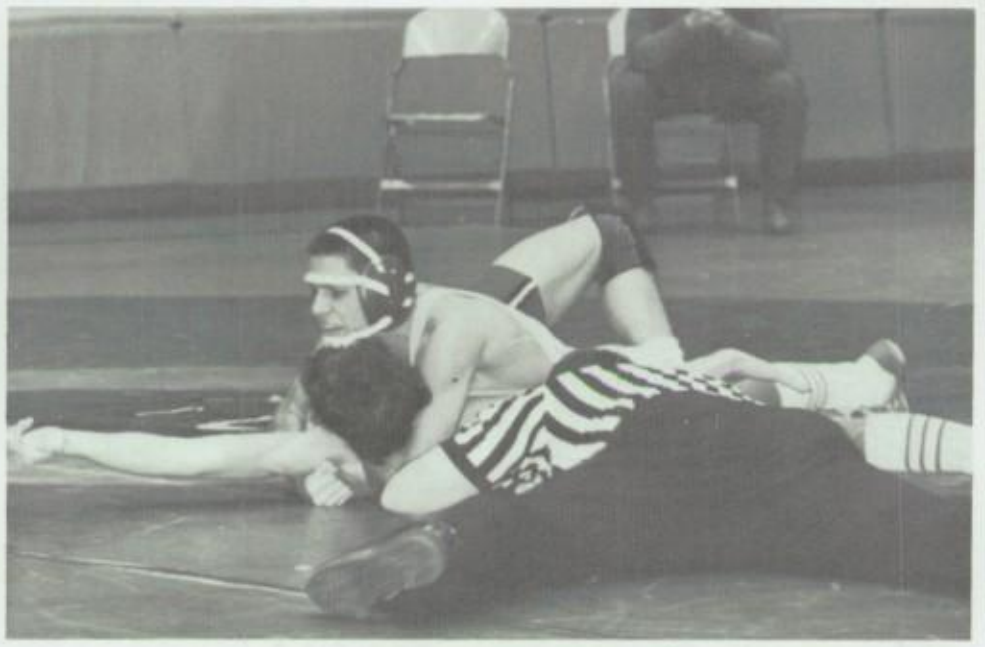
Many individuals earned awards and recognition. Junior J. Stricker, wrestling in the 126 weight class, was named Cougar of the Year. He also received the Best All-time Wrestler and the Most Improved Wrestler Awards. Stricker was the 1st W.B.L. champion for VW in five years. R. Mengerink had the most take-downs, with 49, while C. Barnes had the most nearfalls, with 34. C. Haller, R. McGough, and T. Temple all had the most reversals, totalling 23. Stricker had the most pins for the season, with 17.



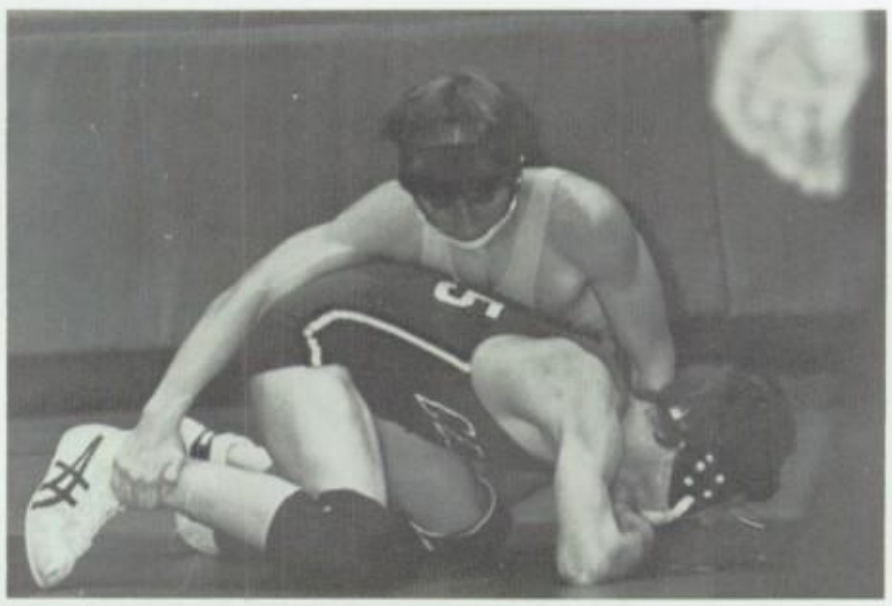
Arild works his man for points.

2nd Place In W.B.L.

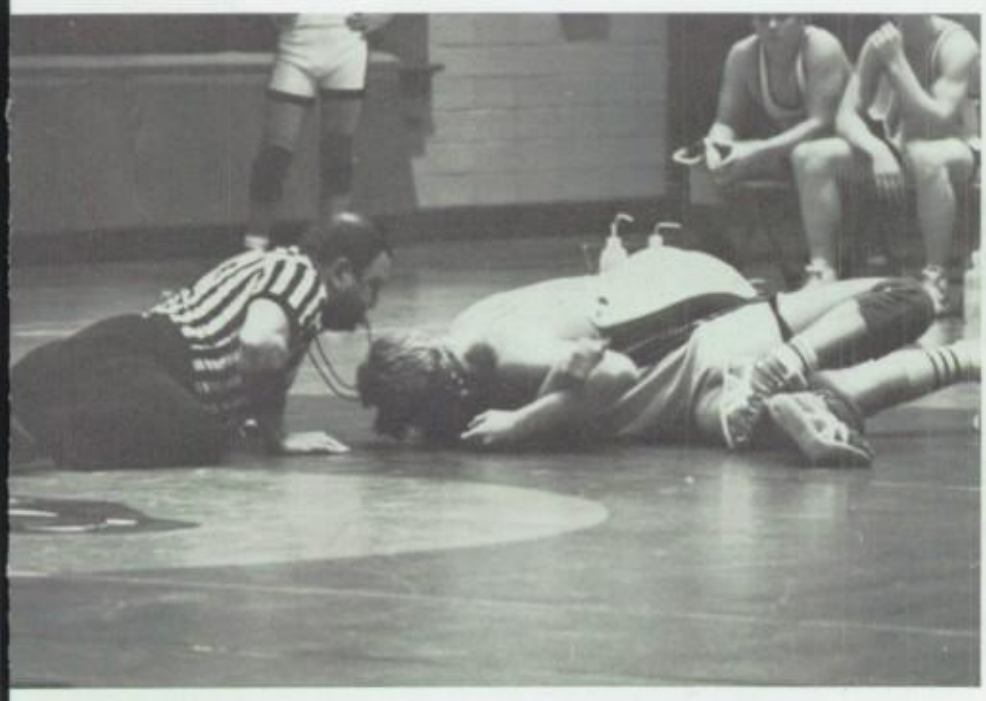


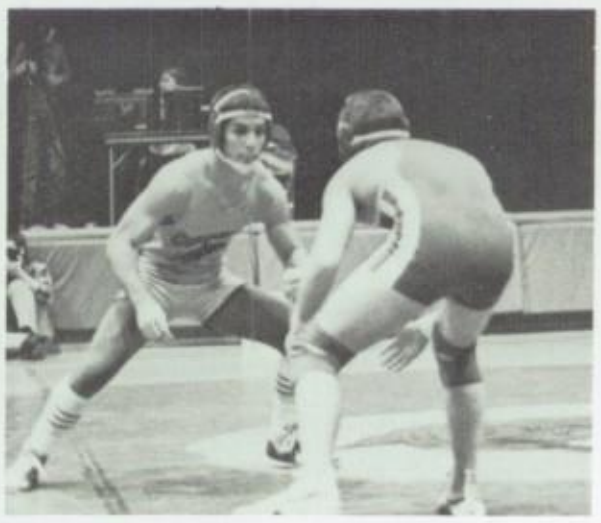


K. Hofmann holds on, waiting for the whistle.



ing various moves, C. Tuckerman attempts to escape from his opponent's grip.





With extra effort, M. Woodruff tries to put his man square to the mat.

Cheerleaders Learn

Freshmen Cheerleaders: R. Waldron, K. Robbins, C. Pruden, S. Steele, H. Koch.

The Van Wert squads of cheerleaders had exciting, successful seasons in 1987. After learning dance routines, cheers, and sidelines at cheerleading camp at Kenyon College, their work began in earnest. During the first half the year, three squads oversaw the activities on the football fields. In the later part of the year, the cheerleaders' actions took place inside the gymnasium on the basketball courts. Everything from "W.I.T." to the "Dayton Ohio Express" was a new and challenging experience for them.

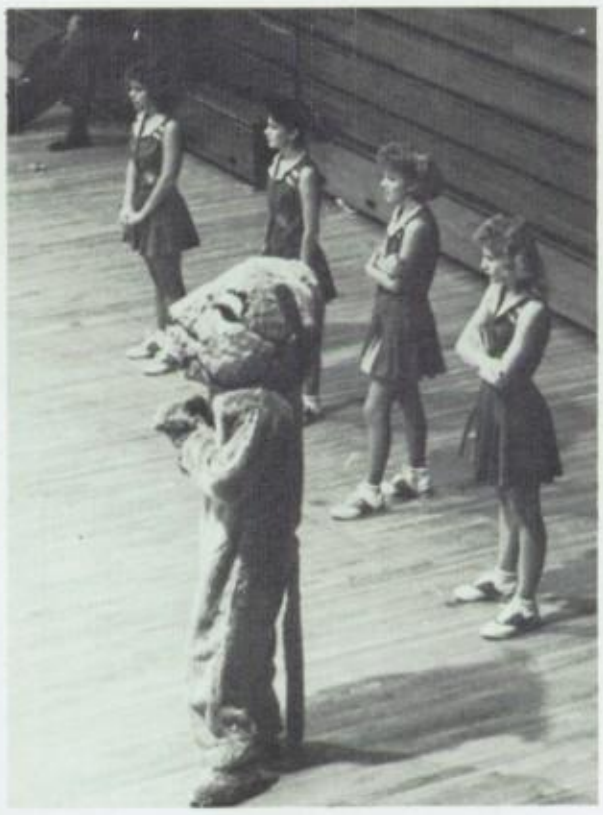
Varsity Football Squad: J. Baer, J. Witten, J. Steele, K. McConahay, K. Zedaker.

Junior Varsity Football Squad: M. Baker, K. Kennedy, K. Carter, J. Geesey, L. Cowan.

Routines To Promote School Spirit

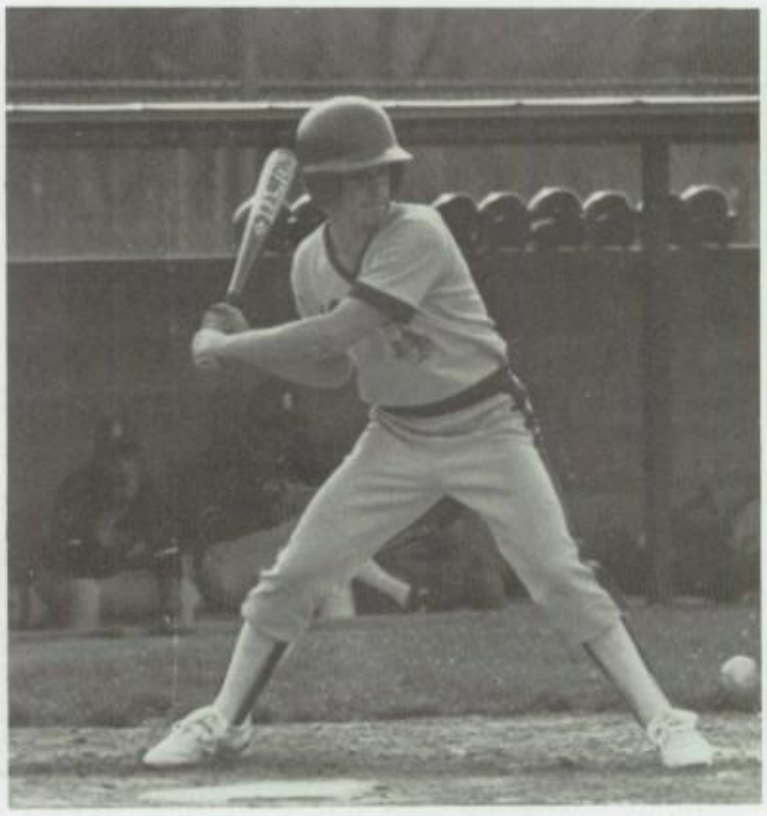
Varsity Basketball Squad: K. Kennedy, K. Carter, J. Steele, J. Witten, K. McConahay.

Junior Varsity Basketball Squad: M. Baker, M. Eikenbary, J. Baer, L. Cowan, J. Moraw.



Freshmen: C. Frysinger, C. Calvert, H. Koch, S. Steele.

The Cougar Baseball Team

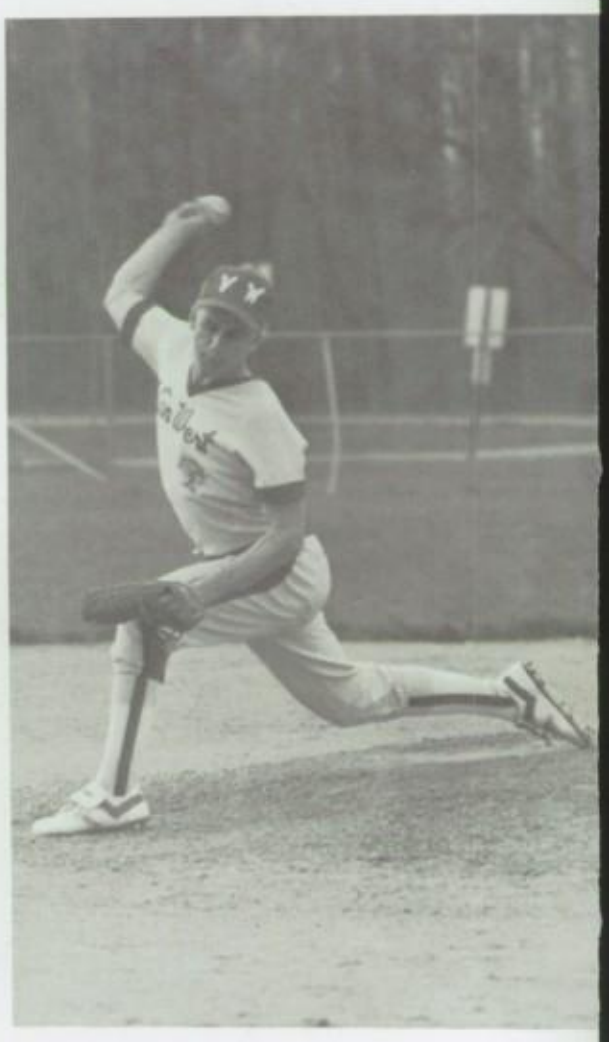


Poised but tense, S. Heffner waits for the pitch.

The Cougar Baseball Team enjoyed another winning season in 1987. At the end of the year, the team had established a 14-10 overall record, with a 5-4 record in the WBL, and captured their fourth sectional championship in the last seven years. The strength of the team was in pitching, in which four hurlers had E.R.A.'s under three. Two highlights stood out. The team whitewashed number one ranked Coldwater 3-0 and later went on to defeat Defiance 2-1.

Several players received recognition for their actions. M. Moraw had the most stolen bases, while R. Sink had the highest batting average. L. Moonshower had the lowest E.R.A. and received the Clarence Cline Award. M. Wollet set the highest fielding percentage. Named to the 1st Team WBL were Moraw and Wollet. Sink and Moonshower were named to WBL Honorable Mention.

Row 1: M. Wollet, M. Moraw, R. Sink, A. Heath, B. Witherow, S. Heffner. *Row 2:* J. Shupe, J. Hofmann, G. Mosier, D. Gehres, B. Spray.



On the mound, L. Moonshower winds up the pitch.

Captures Section Championship

Coach Schilb consults with pitcher M. Wollet and teammates.

Trying to force an out, J. Hofmann fields a throw-in from the outfield.

D. Gehres takes a pick-off throw from the pitcher.

With a mighty crack, S. Heffner knocks one into the outfield.

J.V. Baseball Team Sets 17-2 Season

Row 1: G. Mosier, B. Beck, R. Knodel, C. Witten, C. Covey, T. Chiles. *Row 2:* Coach Branfield, S. Neate, G. Stevens, B. Miller, D. Sink, B. Boroff, C. Williams, B. Robeson, S. Sutton.

The Cougar Junior Varsity Baseball Team completed another highly successful season in 1987 under Coach Branfield. At the end of the year, the team's record was 17-2. This team featured a tough combination of strong pitching and explosive offense. The team's E.R.A. was under three, while the batting average was over .350. Several players should become key contributors to next season's varsity team.

As pitcher, S. Neate adds a spin to his super fastball.

G. Stevens catches a fly ball.

G. Stevens and G. Mosier cover second base.

Softball Team Wins 1st Tournament Game

T. Pohlman waits on 1st for a hit.

On 3rd base, C. Dunlap prepares to tag a Celina player.

J. Moraw awaits a throw from 3rd.

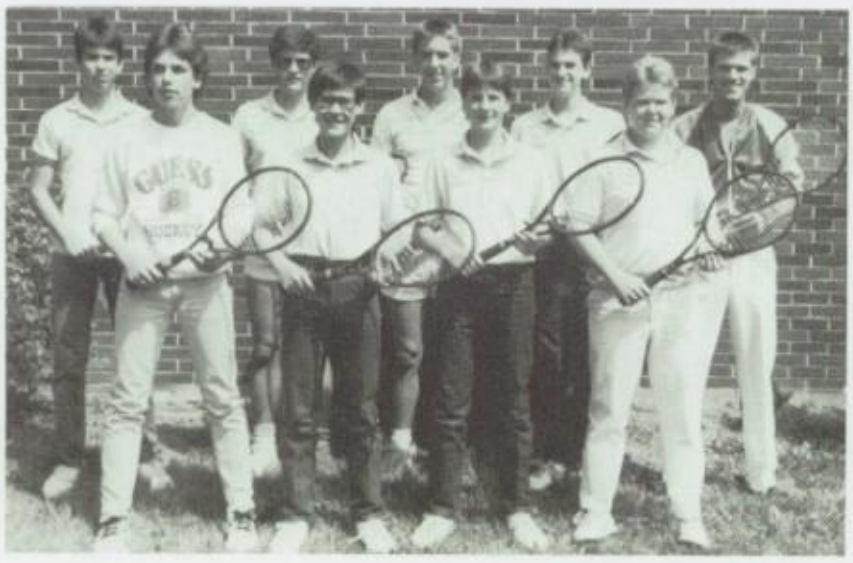
C. Temple pauses before swinging at a low ball.

Row 1: D. Fiegel, M. Cox, C. Dunlap. *Row 2:* V. Pruden, J. Moraw, C. Rawlins, C. Slater, S. Fisher, M. Foy. *Row 3:* Coach Hurless, C. Temple, T. Pohlman, A. Culler, C. Saam, T. Kreischer, D. Breece, K. Ford.

Seven seniors, with only one year of experience from which to draw, led the team to an improved season, although not as successful in the win column as the team would have liked. Improvement was made in nearly every category possible, a goal that the team worked hard to achieve. Highlighting the season was the first tournament victory and a shut out over the neighboring Ohio City Warriors.

In post-season, several awards were presented to players. Junior C. Dunlap had the most wins by a pitcher, best defensive average, and was named to the Northwest Ohio Softball Coaches' Association Scholar-Athlete Award. J. Moraw had the best batting average; she was named to the Northwest Ohio District Honorable Mention and to the WBL 1st Team. Senior K. Ford scored the most runs, had the most stolen bases, and most RBI's. She was named to the Northwest Ohio 1st Team as catcher, the All-Ohio 2nd Team, and to the WBL 1st Team.

Tennis Team Serves Up



JV Team — Row 1: J. McHugh, A. Able, B. Blackmore, R. Grossheim. *Row 2:* K. Mosier, K. Iler, C. Gemmer, J. Hoersten, J. Gemmer.

Row 1: T. Turnwald, S. Greve, N. Montanaro, R. Cherukuri, G. Cherukuri. *Row 2:* T.J. Grimm, C. Magdich, C. Rollins, C. Thomasson, Coach Sullivan.

The Varsity Tennis Team finished the season with an 8-10 record and sixth place finish in the WBL. Captain C. Magdich, the team's Most Valuable Player, had an overall record of 8-15. Freshman R. Cherukuri set a personal record of 12-10, as did his brother, G. Cherukuri. 12-12 records were set by T.J. Grimm and N. Montanaro. Montanaro also received the Most Improved Player Award. S. Greve's record was 7-11; C. Rollins, 5-14; C. Thomasson, 4-5; and T. Turnwald, 3-0. In tournament action, N. Montanaro and S. Greve placed in WBL as 2nd doubles and advanced to semi-finals. C. Magdich and T.J. Grimm placed 4th in District doubles and qualified for Regional play.

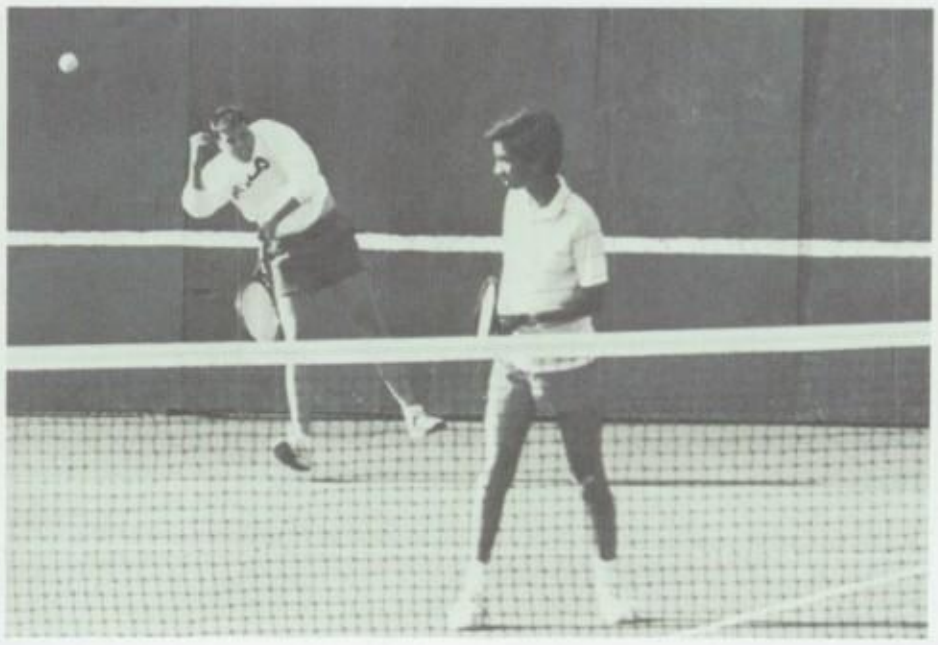
The J.V. Team saw action in 87. C. Rollins, R. Grossheim, C. Gemmer, B. Blackmore, J. McHugh, J. Hoersten, and A. Able won all their matches during the season. N. Montanaro and E. Houg had 7 wins, the most for the year.

S. Greve stretches to reach a high shot.

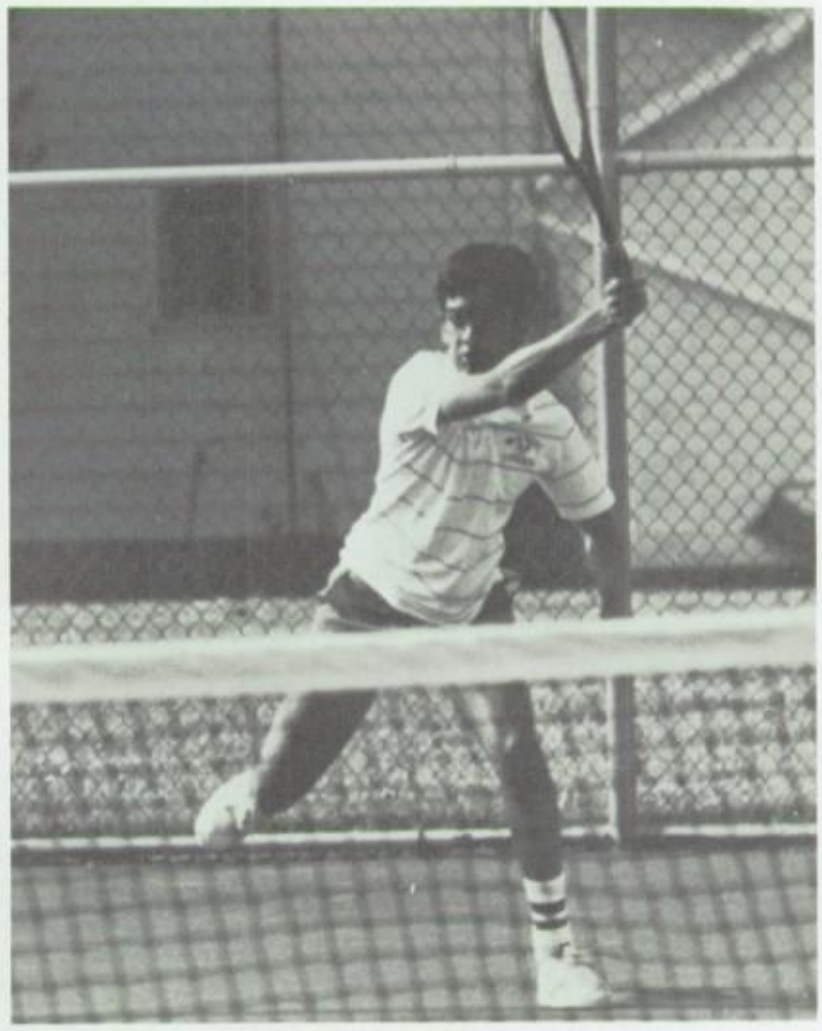
Following through with his serve, C. Magdich goes into the air.

An 8-10 Season Record

Senior C. Magdich uses a strategic undercut.



T.J. Grimm and G. Cherukuri work together as doubles partners during the season.



Freshman R. Cherukuri powers the ball across the net.

Van Wert's Track Team

M. Hernandez establishes the lead in the high hurdles.

Row 1: E. Rodgers, B. Dunham, E. DeLeon, A. Sjodin, L. Ingol, P. Jackson, T. Treece, M. Hernandez, D. Priest, H. Monnig, M. Boaz, J. Loughrie, M. Cox, D. Upton. *Row 2:* C. Thatcher, C. Brown, D. Fisk, K. Hofmann, E. Reitzel, T. Temple, C. Smith, S. Kraner, D. Jemison, R. Grandstaff, E. Eikenbary, J. Habegger, S. Early. *Row 3:* J. Aquaviva, C. Haller, J. Miracle, A. Frantz, M. Sinning, T. Bebout, P. Benner, E. Grant.

The Van Wert Track Team experienced its best season in 1987. At the end of the year, the team tallied a record of 16 wins and 2 losses. The win against Bluffton broke Bluffton's 56 winning streak. Because of the dedication and enthusiasm of team members, Van Wert captured first place in the WBL for the first time. Other invitationals included the 2nd place finish out of 15 teams at the O.G. Gold Medal Relays, 2nd of 13 at Bath, and 4th of 15 in District. Regional qualifiers included T. Treece in the shot; M. Hernandez, 110 and 300 hurdles; the 3200 m. relay team of D. Upton, P. Jackson, E. Eikenbary, and H. Monnig; the 1600 m. relay team of Upton, Jackson, Hernandez, and Monnig, and B. Dunham in the 300 hurdles.

Many new records were set in 87. Senior M. Hernandez set a 39.3 time in the 300 intermediate hurdles and a 14.8 time in the 110 high hurdles; for his times, he qualified for the State Meet. The 1600 m. relay team established a new record of 3:28.3. In the 800 run, Monnig set a 1:59.6 record.

E. Reitzel, L. Ingol, and K. Hofmann get a fast start in the 100 meter dash.

Capture The W.B.L. Championship Title

During a home meet, E. DeLeon winds up as he prepares to throw the discus.

In the grueling 3200, J. Loughrie sets the opening pace for his fellow teammates.

P. Jackson gets a good start out of the blocks.

Senior B. Priest works for distance in the discus.

Girls Track Team Experiences

A. Jemison hands off to J. Kramer in the 3200m. relay.

J. Haas strives in the long jump.

M. Eikenbary passes the baton to A. Jemison.

Success During The Season

K. Arn works to catch up in the 100 low hurdles.

The Girls Track Team experienced improvement in both effort and times during the 1987 season. Achieving a season record of 9-10, the team placed eighth in the WBL with 19 points and fifth in District with 40 points. In the Gold Medal Relays, the 3200m relay team placed first, then third in the Bath Relays. Other finishers at the Bath Relays included J. Grant, with a second in the 100m. dash and a third in the 200m. dash; J. Kramer, 4th in the 400m. dash; A. Jemison, 5th in the 800m. run; W. Fackler, 2nd in the 1600m. run; and the mile relay team, 6th. Five events qualified for Regionals: the 3200m. relay team of Fackler, M. Eikenbary, Jemison, and Kramer; Grant in the 100m. and 200m. dashes; Kramer in the 400m. dash; and Fackler in the mile run. Kramer advanced to the State Meet.

Overall times fell throughout the season. The 3200m. relay set a 10:20.9 time, and the 1600m. relay team of S. Putman, Eikenbary, Jemison, and Kramer set a 4:22.3 record time. In the 800m. relay, Putman, Kramer, K. Griffith, and Grant established a 1:51.0 school record. W. Fackler established records in the 1600m. run, with a 5:38 time, and in the 3200m. run, with a 13:04 time. A 49.6 time in the 300m. hurdles was set by K. Arn. Kramer posted a 59.06 record in the 400m. dash. In the 800m. run, Jemison brought the time down to 2:32.6. Grant set a 26.4 time in the 200m. dash.

ow 1: K. Griffith, A. Wagonrod, J. Grant, C. Brown, J. Grant, J. Haas. *Row 2:* S. utman, A. Jemison, M. Pohlman, K. Arn, A. Neugebauer, W. Fackler. *Row 3:* oach Benschneider, S. Leland, B. Whetstone, K. Arn, T. Coleman, J. Kramer, M. ikenbary.

In the 800m. relay, S. Putman and K. Griffith hand off.

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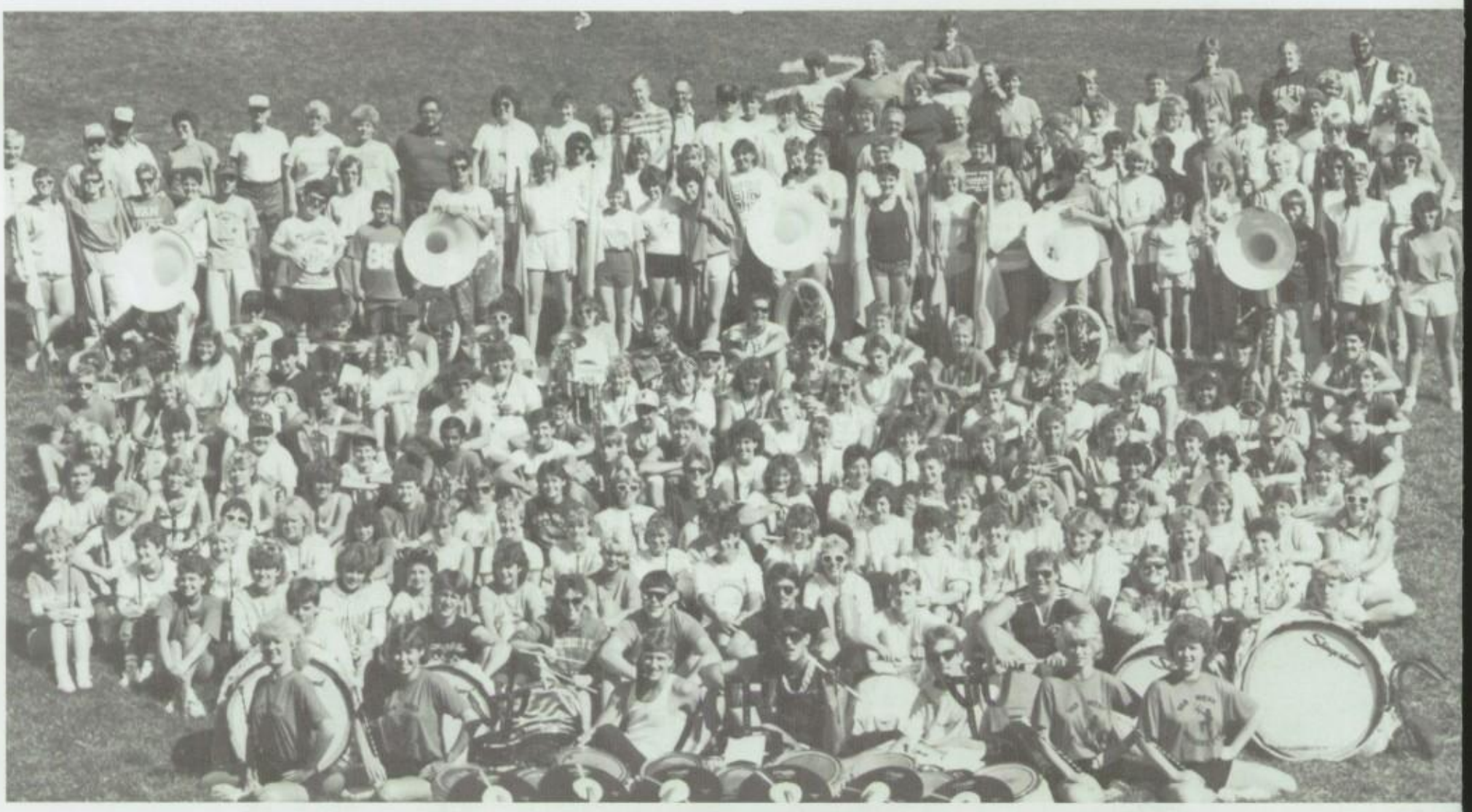
The Van Wert Band



Band members and cheerleaders provide entertainment at the Van Wert County Band Show.

Marches Toward Perfection

Percussion adds flash to performance.

The saxes and clarinets perform at the Fair Show.

During their hard week at band camp, the band perfects a drill.

The hard work at Oglebay Band Camp in West Virginia paid off for the 1986-87 V.W.H.S. Marching Band. Throughout the season, the Band continually dazzled the crowds. Everything from the blues show to a jamming beach party added excitement and variety to the half-time of the games, as well as to the various band shows and parades they attended. Because of the loyalty and determination of every individual, this marching band was indeed a success and a pleasure to watch.

Concert Band Earns

Van Wert High School's Varsity Band

The Reserve Band

Superior Rating At State

A quartet awaits the Reserve's performance.

iss Kelly and band members applaud the varsity's performance during Spring oncert.

Use all that energy for your instrument, D. Fast.

Things get chaotic during rehearsal.

With the loyalty, talent, and dedication of each of its members, both Reserve and Varsity Concert Bands had successful seasons. While performing at Celina for District, the Reserve Band received a II rating. The Varsity Band received a I rating, which qualified them for State Competition at Bowling Green. After four weeks of intense rehearsals, the Varsity continued its success with a fine performance and received a superior rating. Final performances were in Spring Concert and in the Commencement exercises.

Schauf Celebrates 25th Year

The Concert Choir performs its annual Spring Concert.

During graduation ceremonies, the seniors sing a final time with the Choir.

As Director of V.W.'s Choir

Mr. Schaufelberger directs his Concert Choir for the 25th year.

The Choir performs during Winter Concert.

It was Mr. Schaufelberger's silver anniversary as choir director. Because of the various talents and unique abilities of each individual, the Concert Choir enjoyed an exciting, prosperous year. With the coming of the Christmas season came many performances, the first of which members elevated their harmonious voices during the Winter Concert. Members then traveled to Fort Wayne for the taping of the Christmas "special." A performance for Rotary during lunch and a shared assembly with the Band afforded members another chance to vocalize Christmas music. Springtime was heralded by the Spring Concert, in which members, attired in formals and tuxedos, entertained the public. The finale for all choir members came during commencement. During this performance, the Choir generated a musical atmosphere of school loyalty and a feeling of unity.

Women's Chorus And Sophomore

During the Winter Concert, Women's Chorus performed seasonal melodies.

Sophomore Choir follows Mr. Schaufelberger's lead during Spring Concert.

And Freshman Choirs Perform

C. Rawlins performs a solo.

The Freshman Choir performs during Spring Concert.

Various choirs perform throughout the year at Van Wert High School and in the community. Women's Chorus presented special programs for the Women's Club in town and for the Festival of Music, a showcase for vocal talent held at the Marsh. Performances in Winter and Spring Concerts highlighted the year. Sophomore Choir also performed in these formal concerts. In May, the sophomores presented short performances for all the elementary schools on their final tour. Freshman Choir's solo performance came at the end of year during the Spring Concert.

French Club Visits Quebec

Pizza tempts French Club students.

The sales from the citrus sales helped to promote the activities of French Club. As the year began, members traveled to Columbus to tour French Market and German Village. Christmas brought everyone together in the library, where they feasted on pizza. In March, members sold pomme fritz, or french fries, for Student Day. The final activity was the trip to Cafe Johnelle's in Fort Wayne.

Junior and senior members of French Club traveled to Quebec in April. During their three day stay, they toured the city, visiting the historic and cultural highlights, as well as every t-shirt store in "Old Quebec." Sumptuous food was available for the discerning palate. A visit to a night club was the highlight of the trip.

The French Club

During the trip to Quebec, students rode the ferry, from which they could view the harbor and skyline of the city.

Spanish Club Attends Festivals

Members display the citrus they will sell.

During Student Day, B. Gribler and T. Goudy prepare nachos for hungry students.

Members of Spanish Club spent an active year at VWHS. Business meetings were held on the first Wednesday of each month. As lovers of fun and food, they held many parties. The annual pizza and bowling party came first. At Christmas, members celebrated by breaking a pinata, singing Spanish carols, and eating Mexican food. To sample more unique foods, they traveled to Fort Wayne, where they dined at Chi Chi's and El Rey, and to Bandido's in Lima. A foreign language festive at Ohio Northern University attracted members in the fall. In the spring, they returned to Ohio Northern to watch a play performed in Spanish. Lured by more savory food and various cultural aspects, members traveled to Toledo to participate in the International Festival, held annually. After-the-game dances and participation in the citrus sale funded the various activities of Spanish Club.

A Mexican meal is in store for these students.

The Spanish Club

German Club Hosts Students From West Germany

Members relax after dinner.

The German Club

Members of German Club got a first hand taste of culture when they visited German Village during the fall. They toured the district, sampling various German foods. Later in the year, they met over lunch of pizza. Mr. Kalkreuth then opened his home for a special game night. To celebrate Christmas, the members traveled to Berne, Indiana for a dinner at Yodeling Village, which featured a traditional Swiss-style banquet. Those who participated in the citrus sale dined at the Back Forty. For Student Day, members sold bratwurst sandwiches. In the spring, two exchange students, Silke Quass and Sylvia Hornung, visited Van Wert from West Germany for a month, staying with members of German Club and telling others about the lifestyles in their native land. As the year drew to an end, five members anticipated their trip to Germany, Austria, and Switzerland in June.

J. Witten sells bratwurst.

J. Hofmann and T. Clouse at Yodeling Village.

Members dine at the Back Forty.

Latin Club Follows Roman Traditions

Senior E. Pemberton and junior K. Brandt sign up for the pizza party.

K. Brandt and E. Pemberton rest between games of frisbe.

The Latin Club

M. Sutton, J. Bigler, and K. Bruns try to get Mrs. Sipe's attention during a meeting.

The members of Latin Club celebrated the Roman traditions throughout the year. As the year began, the members gathered for a pizza party. At Christmas they held the annual Saturnalia Party at school, then adjourned for a party at B. Barton's home. K. Brandt hosted a party in the spring, featuring more pizza and video movies. A final dinner at the end of the year brought all members together before graduation and vacation.

A Year On The Council

As part of their responsibility, freshmen are in charge of the sign for school activities.

A. Luton, P. Purmort, C. Pruden, R. Waldron, C. Grant, K. Dunn, G. Cross, K. Schaadt, B Greve, K. Gillespie, D. Mefferd, N. Proffitt, L. Cowan, A. Ravipati, M. Moraw, J. Steele, M. Cox, T. Coleman, A. Bowersock, N. Williman, G. Cherukuri, Mr. Dibert.

Members of the 1986-87 Student Council pursued an active curriculum throughout the year. Because many of their activities, such as the concession stand during the football and basketball seasons and student pictures, brought in revenue, Student Council aided the funding of assemblies and many special interests in the school. Several members participated with parents and school board members in reviewing the dress code. Members also actively supported an anti-smoking campaign, passing out pledges and t-shirts. In April, the Council sponsored the movie "Mannequin," during which students and teachers alike attended free of charge.

During an assembly, President J. Steele introduces the speaker.

F.C.A. Co-Sponsors Carman Concert

Row 1: Mr. Hittle, Miss Hurless. *Row 2:* C. Dunlap, C. Baxter. *Row 3:* K. Barnes, J. Dunlap, J. Kramer, G. Kramer, M. Baker. *Row 4:* M. Cox, E. Lee, D. Upton, M. Potter. *Row 5:* J. Habbeger, M. Evans, Mr. Smelser, J. Hofmann, T.J. Grimm.

During football season, members of FCA meet on Saturday mornings to clean the stadium.

. Evans, as Santa Claus, is sworn in during the hristmas assembly.

Mrs. Claus, C. Dunlap, takes the stand.

Members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes met regularly at noon on Thursdays. During these meetings, they discussed topics and issues that related to their lives, seeking spiritual solutions. Church visitations were also made by members.

Members of the club were involved in activities thorughout the year. To earn money, FCA cleaned the stadium after home football games. In December, they presented a skit for an assembly which put Santa Claus on trial as the true symbol of Christmas. FCA, together with Campus Life, co-sponsored the Carman Concert in the spring.

Cougar's Roar Accomplishes Goals

Preparing for print. K. McEntire clips headlines.

A. Adamy helps during the Monopoly Game.

Editor T. Stemen and T. Butler work on a layout before deadline

When the Cougar's Roar staff visited Chicago in November, they attended the J.E.A., Jornalism Education Association Convention and competed in the National Write-off Contest. The Roar received a four-star All American Award, an achievement higher than first place. Senior P. Foreman placed third in editorial cartoons. In March, the staff attended classes and an awards banquet at the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. There they received the Medalist Award, another high achievement. At Kent State, the paper won the Golden Flash Award. Individual awards went to senior J. Steele and juniors R. Mengerink and M. Wise. The ASPA, a rating association, gave the Roar the first place position; J. Steele won the Outstanding News Photography award. Quill and Scroll and the Gallup Award were both outstanding acknowledgements given to the Roar staff.

Row 1: M. Wise, R. Mengerink, J. Gemmer, P. Foreman, J. Steele, T. Butler, M. Woodruff S. Greve. *Row 2:* C. Grant, C. Hoverman, J. Prichard, J. Bailey, A. Boley, C. Gemmer, A Adamy, R. Kiracofe, K. McEntire. *Row 3:* J. Worthington, D. Moffitt, V. Sterrett, A Jemison, C. Slater, L. Cowan, R. Waltmire. *Row 4:* T. Turner, A. Ravipati, J. Kleman, G Mosier, M. Baxter, T. Bebout, K. Amweg, C. Covey.

Yearbook Editors Tour Plant

Copy Editor J. Baer works on a draft.

C. Dunlap and C. Grimm decorate for Homecoming.

o-editors T. Johnson and M. Purmort study other yearbooks in the lant's library.

Row 1: K. Dunn, D. Shell, T. Johnson, M. Purmort, M. Cox, N. Proffitt. *Row 2:* T. Uncapher, S. Whitecraft, J. Baer, K. Arn, K. Carter, M. Klosterman. *Row 3:* C. Dunlap, G. Sullivan, J. Shupe, B. Dunham, A. Mathew. *Row 3:* C. Grimm, M. Evans, K. Herminghuysen, T. Coleman.

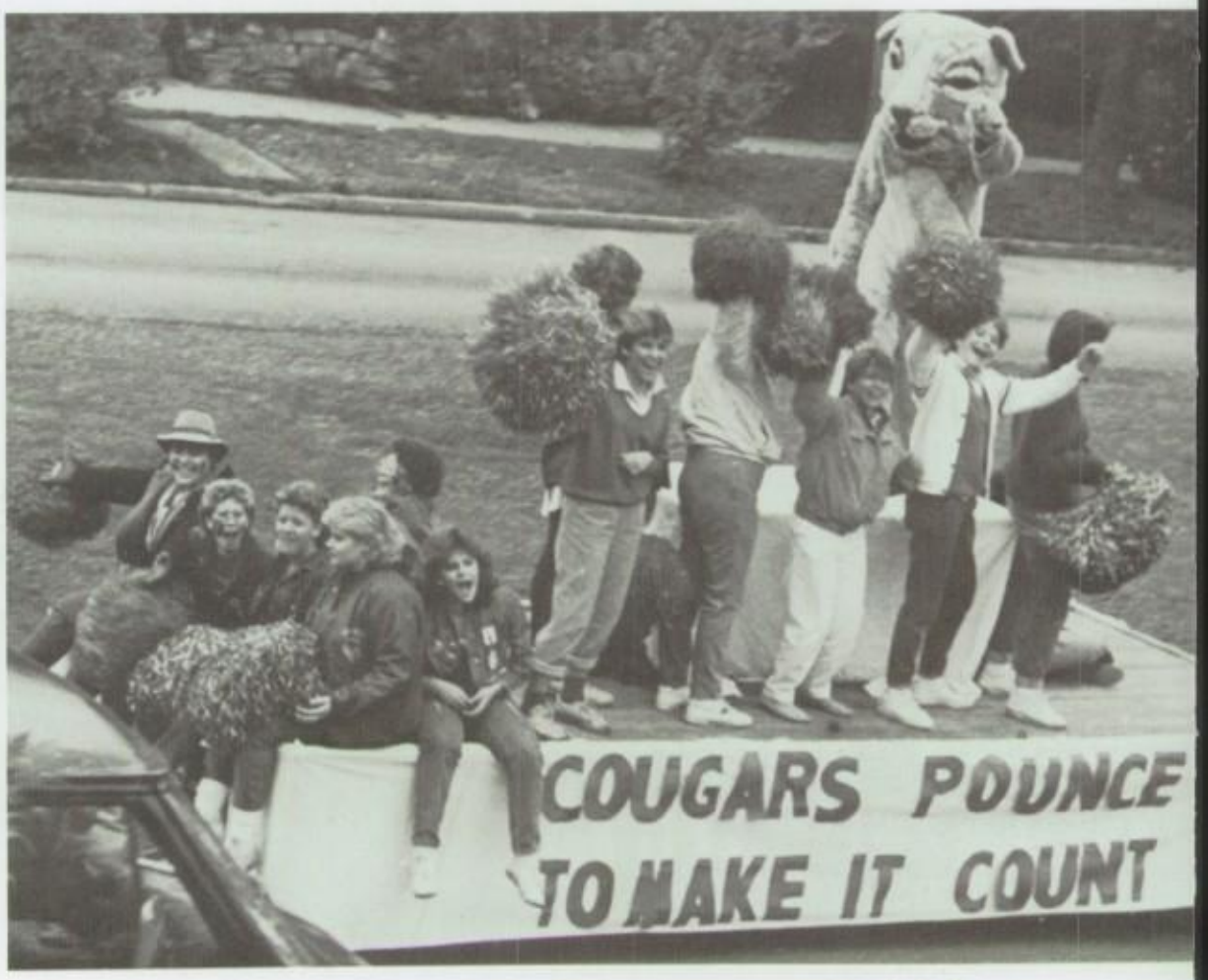
Co-editors M. Purmort and T. Johnson prepared for their tasks by traveling to Clarksville, Tennessee. During their stay, they toured the printing plant, gaining first hand experience about the publication of the book. Following the tour, they spent many long hours in the library – and in the sauna.

Once all plans for the 87 book had been finalized, the co-editors met with the staff. Work then began on the actual book. Staff members organized the activities for Homecoming and oversaw the various projects for Student Day. The final months of the year were dedicated to the completion of the book.

F.H.A. Fulfills Goals

FHA members distribute carnations.

Members of FHA gained valuable experience during the year. As school approached, members organized their activities, which started with the County Fair. There, members helped with Tot City and participated in the parade. Showing school spirit, FHA later built a float for Homecoming and marched to Jubilee Park in the parade on Thursday evening. Twelve members participated in the District Rally held at Vantage this year. At Christmas, FHA held its annual children's party, during which the members entertained teachers' children, as well as themselves. With the coming of February, they prepared for Valentine's Day and their dance. On the Friday before, they sold carnations. This year, every student and teacher received a flower. The activities centering around the dance concluded the festive weekend.



For Homecoming, FHA participates in the parade with its float.

Front to Back: J. Sink, C. Loftis, C. Shields, A. Osborn, B. Barton, M. Coombs, M.B. Vetter, L. Cryer, Kristleib, M. Klosterman, N. Shinnaberry, L. Williamson, K. Wagonrod, L. Waters, L. Ryan, L. Schisler, Parsons, T. Stutz, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Hurless, L. Lewis, V. Pruden.

V Club Presents Awards To Athletes

C. Hoverman works the coat check during a basketball game.

A. Jemison, M. Evans, and J. Stricker prepare the list for senior awards.

Members of V Club included all those who participated and earned letter in Van Wert High School's athletic program. Although not an active organization, the members did meet several times throughout the year to prepare for awards and plaques for the seniors. During the Senior Convocation, held the evening of May 6, J. Stricker, M. Evans, and A. Jemison, the newly elected officers, presented each lettered athlete with a plaque enumerating his achievements.

Row 1: T. Temple, R. McGough, T. Cloud, L. Ingol, C. Haller, E. See, K. Seplak, D. Mitchner, E. DeLeon. *Row 2:* D. Smith, A. Carlson, A. Ravipati, V. Sterrett, C. Grimm, C. Dunlap, T. Pohlman, K, McConahay, K. Zedaker, K. Arn, K. Carter, E. Reitzel, J. Habegger, B. Spray. *Row 3:* M. Cox, J. Baer, S. Putman, C. Hoverman, K. Ford, V. Creed, J. Kramer, K. Arn, A. Jemison. *Row 4:* G. Cherukuri, H. Monnig, M. Cox, J. Moorman, M. Moraw, A. Heath, J. Moraw. *Row 5:* H. Thomas, J. Loughrie, T. Bebout, E. Eikenbary, T. Eikenbary, M. Hernandez, M. Wollet, B. Witherow, T. Treece, A. Mechling, L. Moonshower, D. Scheidt, B. Priest. *Row 6:* M. Boaz, P. Jackson.

Library Aides Gain Valuable Experience

Row 1: C. Canales, K. Bolton, T. Pohlman, K. McClure, A. Jemison, J. Looker, V. Hines, W. Buettner. *Row 2:* G. Jamieson, S. Burk, K. O'Sullivan, L. Kiracofe, K. Wagonron. *Row 3:* G. Sullivan, J. Kleman, S. Anderson.

Looking for overdue books, A. Jemison and T. Pohlman check the cards.

T. Kreischer, Mrs. Sullivan's secretary, relaxes after typing library invoices.

K. O'Sullivan works at the check-out desk.

For many students, the library offered a haven away from the rest of the school. While some students used the library for research, others found it to be a means of escape from study hall. The members of Library Club came to know it as a comfortable work place. During the day, they assumed tasks, which varied from contact with students and teachers to the books and periodicals themselves. Those dedicated to their work gained valuable experience and responsibility.

All was not work for club members, though. During the national Right to Read Week, members became involved in a campaign to promote reading. To further increase knowledge of the library, as well as reading, members sponsored the Classic Lovers Contest. A pizza party brought everyone together during the lunch hour to share experiences and gossip.

A.V. Crew Provides Visual Assistance

T. Garrett, D. Boley, and C. Evans review the schedule for equipment.

D. Karalunas makes a fine check of equipment.

Row 1: Mr. McGonagle, R. Wilson, C. Evans, T. Brown. *Row 2:* M. Potter, G. Sullivan, M. Freeman, D. Boley.

Members of the Audio Visual Crew put in many long days and nights during the year. Supervised by Mr. McGonagle, these students oversaw the care, storage, and dispersement of all equipment. Members were expected to understand the basic workings of all equipment and to be able to explain it, especially to teachers when problems arose in the classroom. Because taping programs and sporting events frequently fell within their realm, members of the AV Crew were often in the building late into the evenings.

National Honor Society Inducts 13 New Students

Senior J. Kramer accepts her membership card and pin for NHS.

Members of National Honor Society spent the spring preparing for the recognition banquet, held on the evening of April 19. Thirteen new students were inducted during the candlelit ceremony. The featured speaker for the night was Mr. Buti, head football coach. During his discourse, he stressed excellence in life; if one expects the most from himself, achieving excellence will come more easily. Before the conclusion of the banquet, Miss Haller recognized J. Witten, who was one of the 450 students throughout the country to win a National Honor Society Scholarship.

The thirteen inductees of National Honor Society.

Row 1: E. Pemberton, B. Barton, C. Hoverman, T. Turner, J. Witten, K. Gillespie. *Row 2:* B. Gribler, P. Jackson, M. Schaufelberger, D. Adams, T. Eikenbary, D. Scheidt, A. Mechling.

Row 1: Y.S. Pak, J. Bigler, J. Prichard, M. Purmort, A. Boley, J. Kramer. *Row 2:* M. Cox, T. Johnson, A. Fenton, J. Baer, S. Miller.

Scholastic Bowl Places 2nd In County

County Bowl participants: Row 1: **K. Brandt, K. Arn, J. Benner.** *Row 2:* **E. Pemberton, P. Loftis, R. Cherukuri, E. Zinn.**

At the end of the year, members gather a final time over pizza.

Students gather at the Pembertons for the "Auk'Auk" computer competition.

Made up of one senior, one junior, one sophomore, and eight freshmen, Scholastic Bowl fared well in competition. The first match came in January in Hicksville, where the team completed several rounds before being eliminated. After more practice sessions, they participated in the WOBC Bowl, finishing third out of thirty-five teams. Next they went on to take second place in the County Bowl. The Knowledge Master Computer Bowl was the final competition. In this, the team placed 23rd in the state of Ohio, thus making 1987 a very successful year.

ACTIVITIES

A City-Wide Parade

The Freshmen Football Team lends its support.

Members of the F.H.A. decorated a float, which featured the mascot, Claw'd Cougar.

Following hours of preparation by many individuals and organizations, the festivities for the 1986 Homecoming began. These festivities encompassed three days. A city-wide parade opened the Homecoming activity. The parade, made of various organizations, teams, and people in the community, marched to Jubilee Park for a pep rally and bonfire.

On Friday night, Senior K. McConahay was crowned as the 1986 Homecoming Queen. Members of her court included seniors L. Sites and C. Hoverman, junior, K. Carter; sophomore, J. Moraw; and freshman, P. Purmort. From their vantage point on the sidelines, the Queen and Court watched the Cougars soundly defeat Shawnee. The Homecoming Dance, featuring the theme, "Over the Rainbow," followed on Saturday night.

During the pregame ceremony, K. McConahay is crowned the 198 Homecoming Queen by past queen, K. Green.

Along the parade route, band members added melodic intensity to th Cougar fans.

Opens The 1986 Homecoming Festivities

The 1986 Homecoming Court: freshman, P. Purmort; junior, K. Carter; senior, L. Sites; senior, C. Hoverman; Queen K. McConahay; sophomore, J. Moraw.

P. Foreman and his date listen intently to a discussion during the dance.

Many students relax and enjoy the dance.

For some, watching others proves to be an interesting form of entertainment.

Tenacious Senior Girls

Eluding her pursuers, T. Kreischer works to make a first down for her team, the Seniors.

Senior T. Kreischer struggles for yardage and junior defenders.

Senior Team: *Row 1:* N. Proffitt, D. Breece, S. Clem, S. Smith, T. Kreischer, K. Schaadt, K. Ford, K. Arn. *Row 2:* T. Coleman, T. Wagonrod, A. Culler, C. Hoverman, C. Saam, T. Pohlman, C. Temple.

Junior Team: *Row 1:* D. Pruden, T. Uncapher, S. Ingol, K. Thatcher, D. Fiegel. *Row 2:* L. Kiracofe, T. Smith, S. Miller, T. Johnson, J. Prichard, S. Linton, C. Grant. *Row 3:* M. Collins, R. Kiracofe, A. Wettig, C. Wells, M. Cox, N. Williman, K. Dunn.

Win Powderpuff Game, 14-0

Juniors D. Fiegel and C. Wells execute a play.

The seniors receive instructions from Mr. Edinger.

C. Haverman gains senior yardage.

Indomitable K. Arn scrambles for the senior goal line.

The annual battle between the junior and senior girls was held during the Powderpuff game on November 1st. Although the juniors put forth great spirit and teamwork, their efforts were cut short by the overpowering actions of the seniors, who won 14-0. While Coaches Lianez and Mosier worked to devise defensive plays, senior Coaches B. Edinger and Swank deployed their offensive tactics. Senior male cheerleaders provided special entertainment for the crowd, as did C. Dunlap and C. Grimm, the colorful announcers for the afternoon game.

Students Create Monopolies

Members of the Cougar's Roar Staff, serving as escorts, aid the players.

R. Grossheim and K. Iler move to their new position on the board.

D. Finkhousen and B. Greve attempt to stop the game so they can collect rent.

During The Unique Life-sized Game

Players pause to catch up on action on the other side of the board.

For a brief moment, the players all seem to be in one place.

K. Gillespie gives the dice a special twist.

On January 31, the gymnasium took on a familiar appearance. Covering the entire floor was the giant Monopoly board, created by members of the Cougar's Roar Staff. The participants for the game included those who had submitted the highest bids. During the three hour competition, eight teams vied for prizes donated by local businessmen. These teams included the highest bidders S. Knoch and J. Fowler for the 2nd period Journalism I Class, with a bid of $629.01; W. Dixon and C. Conrad, 5th period Journalism Class; B. Greve and D. Finkhousen, the Wrestling Team; D. Karalunas and C. Drake, Pretzels and Cream; N. Proffitt and K. Gillespie, Student Council; R. McGough and M. Sinning, 6th period English 10 Class; R. Grossheim and K. Iler, Dr. Iler's Team; and Mr. Moffitt and Mr. McCracken, the Cougar Fathers. Surprisingly, several teams created monopolies during the game. When the properties and cash assets were added up at the end, the Wrestling Team once again captured first place. The team representing Pretzels and Cream came in second, and the 5th period Journalism I Class placed third.

STUDENT DAY CONCLUDES

Preparing for Regionals, cheerleaders pin on ribbons.

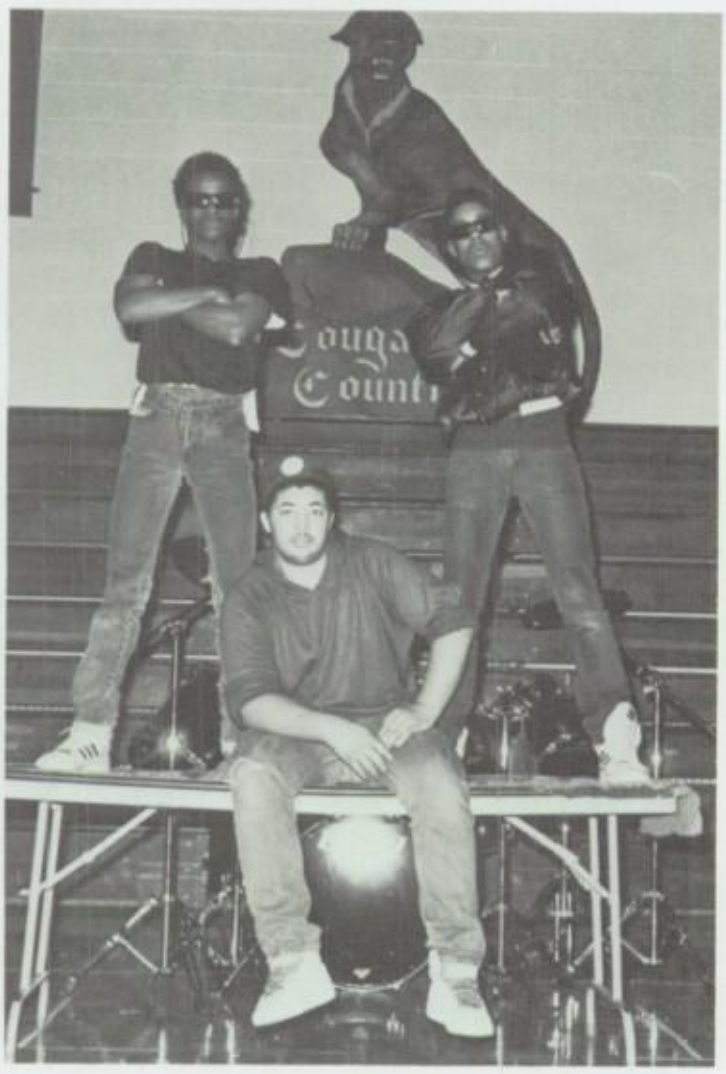
Students congregate for free ice cream from Student Council.

Members of French Club assist Mrs. Reitzel as they ready their *pomme fritz*, better known as french fries.

T. Johnson finds something more interesting than the chocolate chip stand.

WITH A LIP SYNC CONTEST

"Into the Fire:" T. Moonshower, S. Dunmire, C. Dunno, D. Mitchner; co-1st place winner.



"Tricky:" J. Scurry, R. Washington, C. Evans; co-1st place winner.

"Time Warp:" M. Wise and C. Thomasson; 3rd place winner.

On March 13, everyone at Van Wert High School took part in the special activities for Student Day. The morning session offered a variety of activities. these included a modified slave auction, a roach race, a video, a gigantic cake raffle, a make-your-own-button stand, and spirit ribbons for the Regional Tournament. For those who were hungry, there was plenty to eat: french fries, brautwurst sandwiches, ice cream cones, chocolate chip cookies, and cold drinks.

The afternoon session featured a lip sync contest. Six entries performed for a panel of judges and the student body. Tying for first place were S. Dunno, T. Moonshower, S. Dunmire, and D. Mitchner, who performed "Into the Fire;" and R. Washington, J. Scurry, and C. Evans, who presented the Run D.M.C. hit, "Tricky." Third place went to M. Wise and C. Thomasson, for their rendition of "Time Warp."

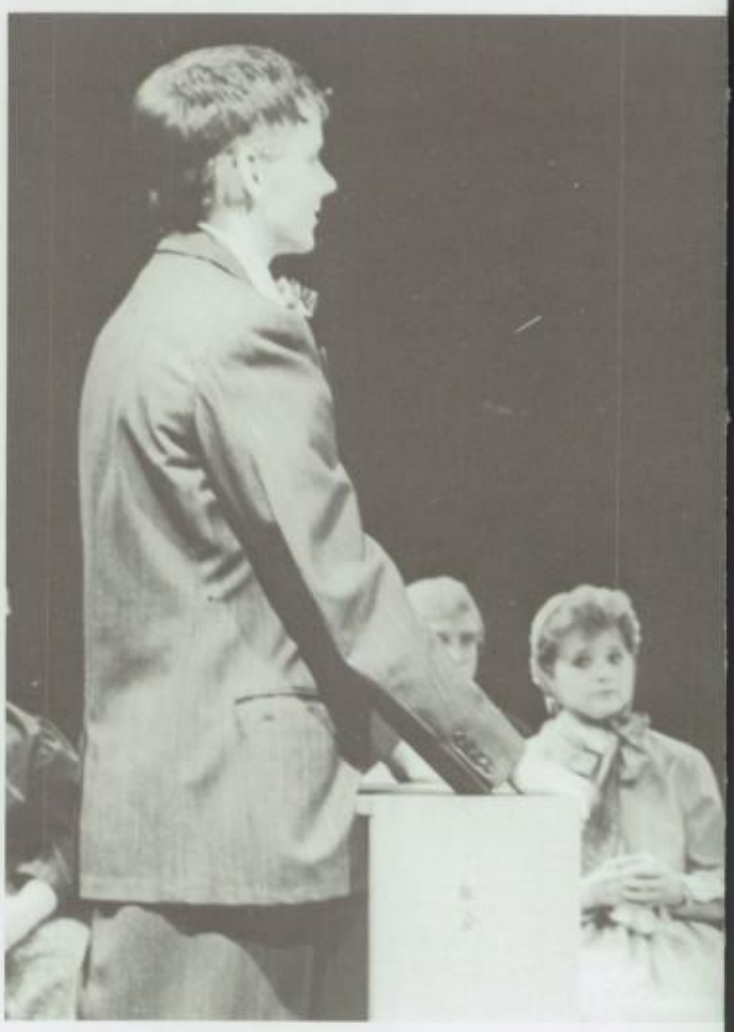
"Our Town" Presented In

T.J. Grimm, the undertaker, relates the history of the cemetary.

"Our Town," an American classic, came to Van Wert on April 10 and 11th. The theme of the play attempted to find value in the ordinary incidents of daily life. As the story unfolded, the audience began to identify with the characters and their problems. In reality, the place could have been Van Wert and the people those from Van Wert. The production, directed by Mrs. J. Diller, was staged as theater-in-the-round.

Set between 1901 and 1913, the action of the play centered around the Gibbs and Webb families in Govers Corners, New Hampshire. At the center of the action were Emily Webb and George Gibbs. The play followed these two, as well as their families, through their growth as teenagers, their marriage, and the death of Emily. As the play drew to a conclusion, Emily's death revealed that the past cannot be relived; truth can be found only in the future.

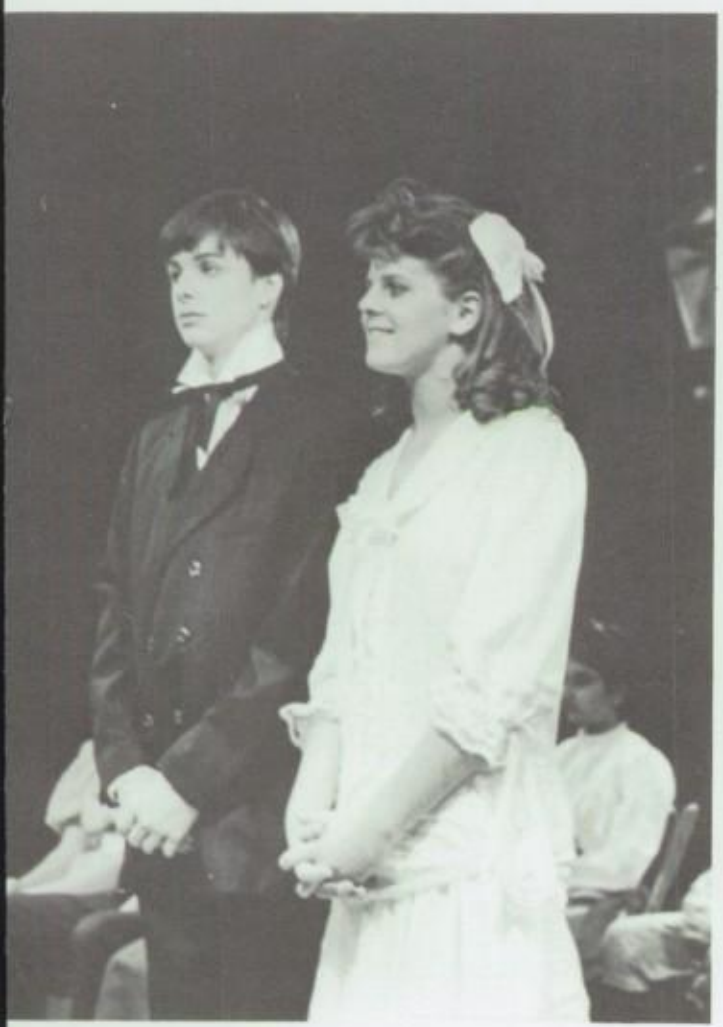
J. Fowler, as the Stage Manager, talks to the audience, giving them information about the activities, past and present, of the families.



The wedding

The glory of "Our Town" unfolds through the lives of the two families, the Gibbs and the Webbs.

Theater-in-the-Round Format



of George and Emily.

D. Shell, as Mr. Webb, tries to reassure Emily that everything will be all right on her wedding day.

E. Pemberton, as Mother Gibbs, and M. Roth, as the drunken choir director, ponder death.

Mrs. Webb greets H. Newsome as he delivers milk, all in pantomine.

Cast: *Row 1:* A. Boley, A. Ravipati, J. Frysinger, M. Collins, G. Boely, B.J. Martin, A. Hayes, A. Carlson, C. Bowling. *Row 2:* S. Stevens, J. Thompson, T. Bebout, E. Pemberton, J. Fowler, D. Farmer, D. Shell, K. Carter, J. Grossheim. *Row 3:* J. Stevens, J. Follas, K. Seplak, J. Pemberton, G. Jamison, M. Roth, J. Spridgeon, K. Webster, T. Gunnell, C. Thomasson, T.J. Grimm, Mrs. Diller, director.

Foreign Exchange Students Enjoy Life At V.W.H.S.

Arild Sjodin

Mette Jensen

Additions to the student body included three students from foreign countries. These students had to overcome language barriers and deal with cultural differences daily. However, the three smoothly fit into the lifestream of VWHS quickly.

Danish student Mette Jensen lived with the Brickers. Mette found Americans more polite than her fellow Danes. What impressed her was the quanity of merchandise available. Fast foods enticed her, but she didn't like the soft bread.

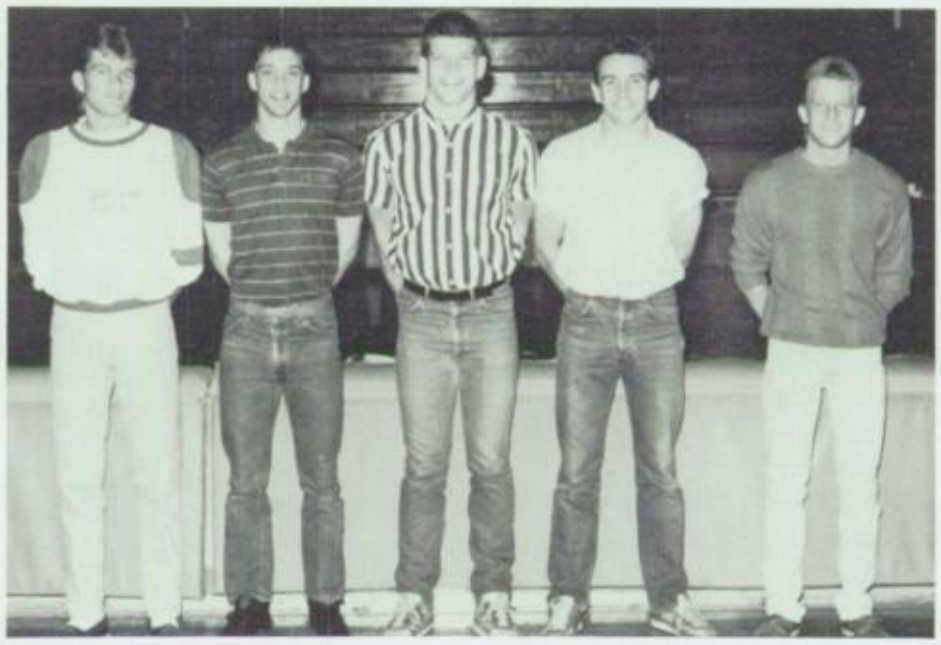
Izumi Kubo, from Japan, lived with the Dana Griffins. She enjoyed American television and was amazed that so many teenagers drove cars. Since her school in Japan requires more time, the five day week was a pleasant surprise; she also enjoyed not having to wear a uniform.

From Norway came Arild Sjodin. While in the U.S., he lived with the Suttons. He joined the exchange program because he wanted to do something different. Once here, he discovered that American schools were different; in Norway, students attend school nine years, then enroll in a junior college. He participated in sports, such as track.

Izumi Kubo

Valentine's Dance Brightens February

Queen K. McClure and King J. Burkheimer.



King Candidates: **A. Sjodin, T. Eikenbary, P. Jackson, M. Moraw, and N. Felver.**

Queen Candidates: **K. Waldron, N. Proffitt, A. Bowersock, K. McClure, C. Hoverman, and J. Steele.**

On February 14, 1987, Valentine's Day, F.H.A. appropriately decorated the high school cafeteria in order to set the mood for the magical evening of romance. The former King and Queen, T. Fiegel and B. Thatcher, returned to pass on their crowns to the new reigning couple, J. Burkheimer and K. McClure. Candidates for Queen included A. Bowersock, C. Hoverman, N. Proffitt, J. Steele, and K. Waldron; candidates for King included T. Eikenbary, N. Felver, P. Jackson, M. Moraw, and A. Sjodin. Following the ceremony, the couples danced to music and enjoyed their evening of romance.

"A Night Under The Big Top"

Cotton candy, balloons, and other decorations reminiscent of an old-time carnival greets couples as they entered the prom.

Generates A Festive Atmosphere

Taking a break, A. Zabicki and S. Springer enjoy prom scenes.

Lively clowns, colorful murals, and festive decorations made "A Night under the Big Top" something to remember. While a mysterious gyspy told fortunes to several couples, others tried their luck at various games. Siamese twins, the Fat Lady, and the World's Shortest Man were just a few of the entertaining sideshows that were on display during the enchanted evening. As the band ATR performed, couples danced under the sparkling carousel. Because of the hard work and dedication of the Junior Class, "A Night under the Big Top" became a truly memorable evening for everyone who attended. Many left with special memories; others recalled the evening of dazzling attire and romance with formal pictures taken by Affolder Studio.

A dance under the big top's carousel.

Junior worker A. Wise discusses the prom's success with advisor McGonnell.

Appreciative seniors, J. Moorman and B. Priest, study the decorations.

Success, Unity, And Memories

For a final time, the Class of 1987 enters Eggerss Field during Commencement.

Speaking on memories, P. Jackson recalls the events of the years at VWHS.

The unity and friendship of the class is discussed by J. Witten.

B. Priest speaks of the academic and athletic succe of the Class of 1987.

Created By The Class Of 1987

After a year at VWHS, I. Kubo receives an American diploma.

J. Pratt thanks Mrs. Follas.

D. Breece accepts her diploma.

Upon her success, M. Coombs smiles.

Commencement exercises were held on the afternoon of May 31 for the Class of 1987. As the band began to play "Pomp and Circumstance," the procession of students entered Eggerss Field for the final time as parents, relatives, friends, and staff members solemnly watched. Following the benediction, three members of the class addressed their peers. Speaking first, B. Priest discussed the success of the class had achieved during its tenure at Van Wert High School. J. Witten spoke of the unity within the class, of the unity and friendship of its members. The final speaker, P. Jackson, relived the memories created by members of the class. Mr. Grimm then recognized J. Witten as valedictorian and J. Tipsord as salutatorian of the class. Witten was also received the Black Inc. Award as the outstanding senior. Following short addresses by Superintendent Farnsworth and Dr. K. Gordon, members of the Class of 1987 received their diplomas. Finally, the seniors filed out of the stadium during the Recessional and assembled on the other side of the field, tossing mortarboards into the air, hugging friends and classmates, celebrating their success and unity as they created one final memory for the Class of 1987.

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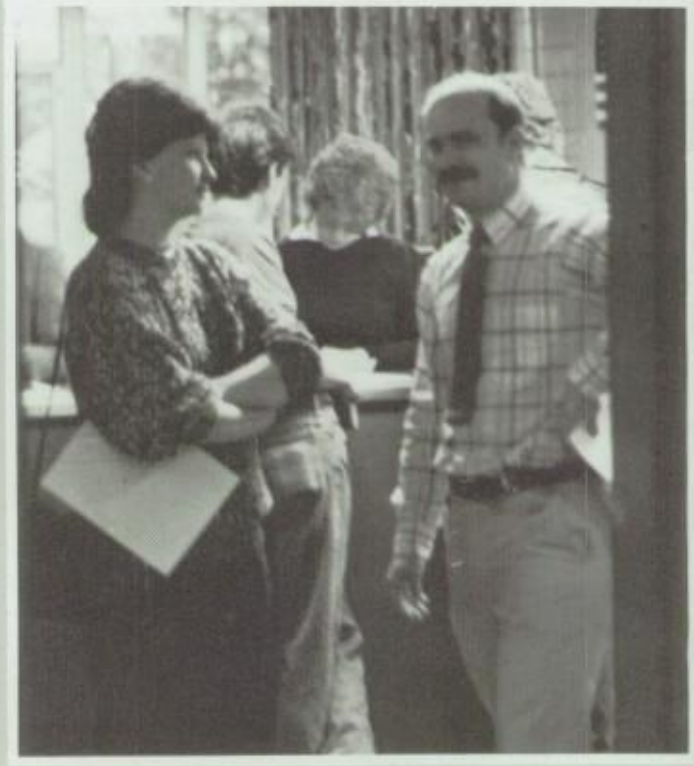

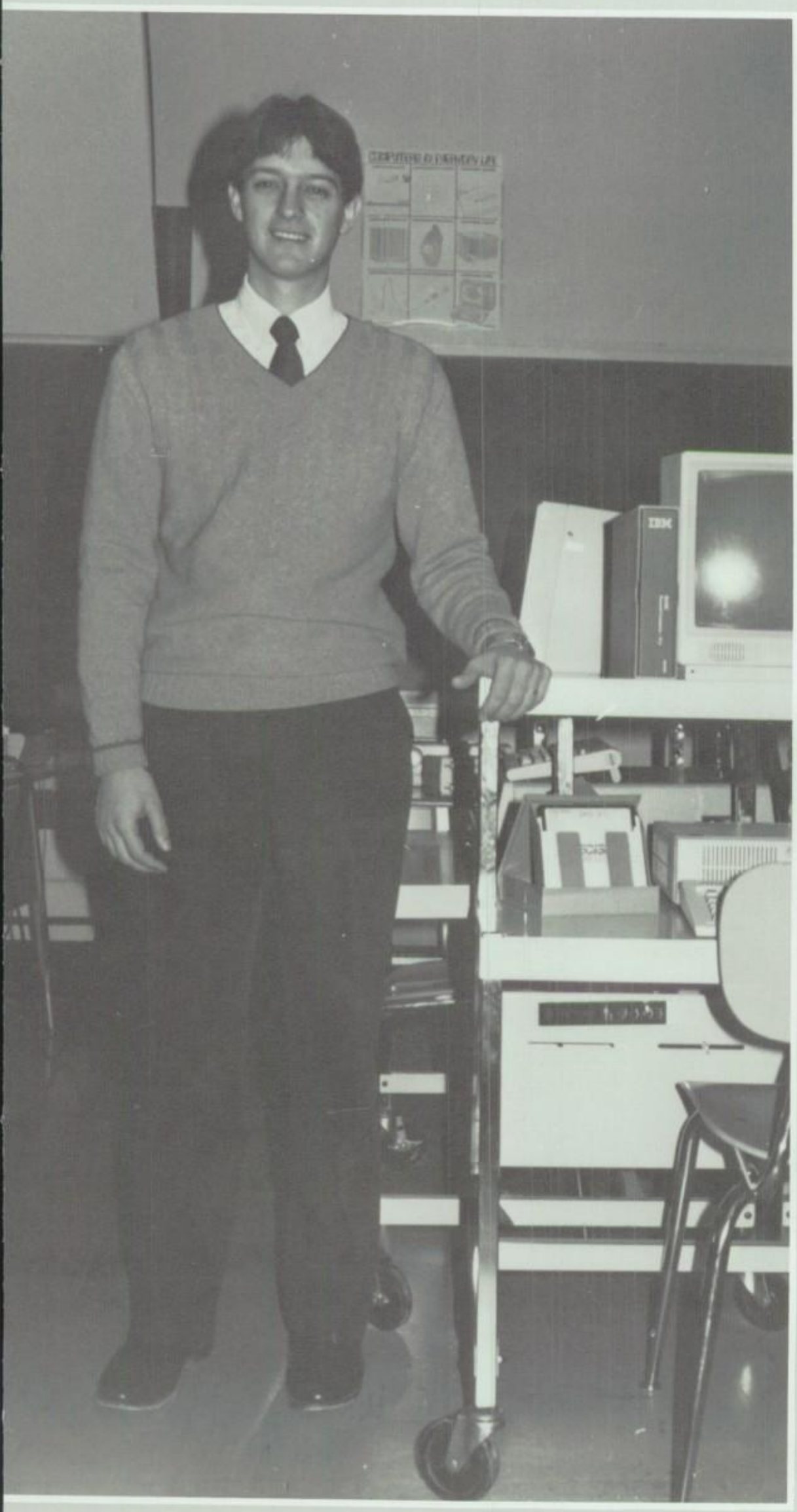
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Administration

Board of Education: Mr. Patsiavos, Mrs. Follas, Dr. Gordon, Superintendent Farnsworth, Mrs. Brubaker, D
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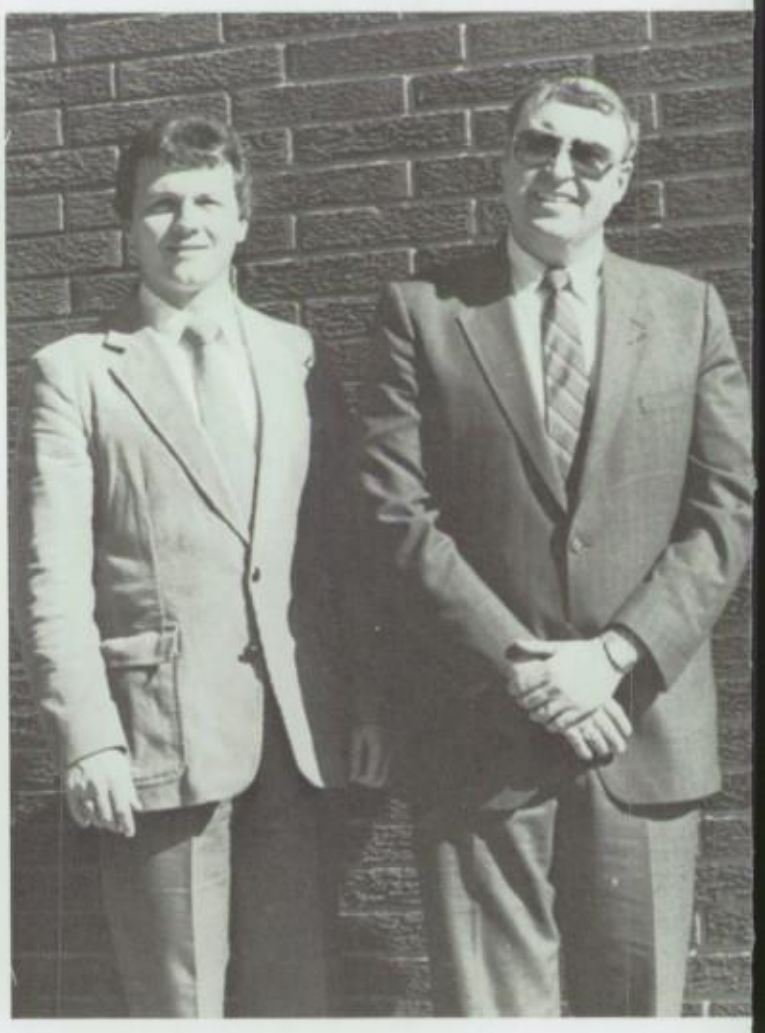
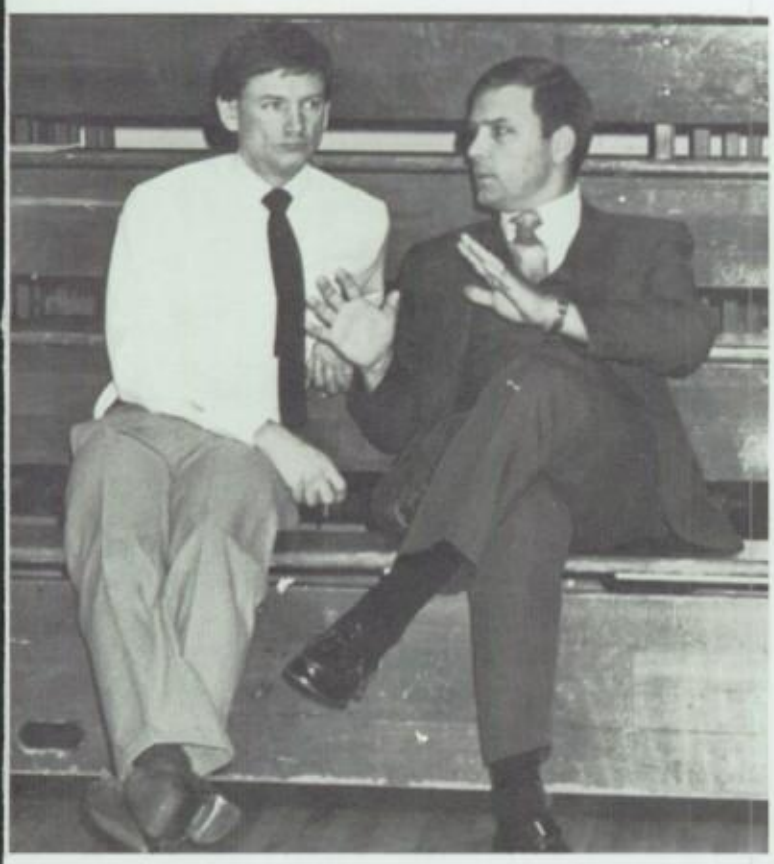
Mr. S.F. Goedde and Mr. S. Farnsworth, Superintendents.



Mr. W. Swank, Assistant Principal, and Mr. W.W. Grimm, Princ
pal.

Secretaries And Guidance Help Students

Pupil Personnel: **Mr. Moser, Mr. Hendricks, and Mr. Kulwicki.**



During a brief moment of peace, Mr. Noftz and Mr. Kulwicki find a moment to talk.

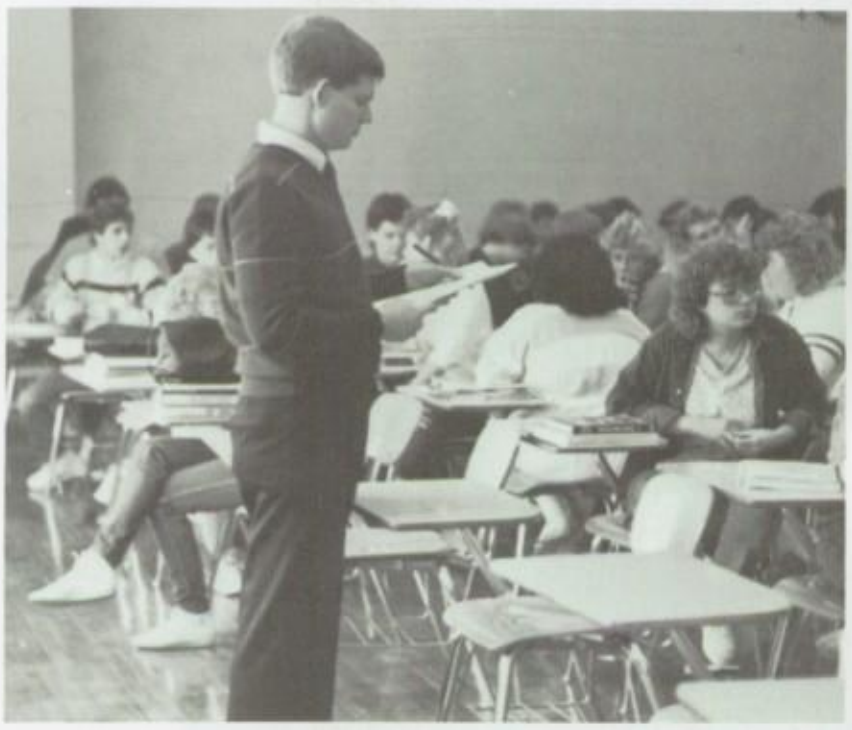
Secretaries: **Mrs. Shell, Mrs. Hartman, Mrs. Whitacre, Mrs. Ruddock, Mrs. Allen, and Mrs. Schumm.**

Mr. Hendricks gives parents directions to a teacher's room.

History Remembers The Past

"Duffer" Dibert relaxes after a match of golf.

Mr. Stammen, Mr. Dibert, Mr. Hittle, Mr. Schilb.

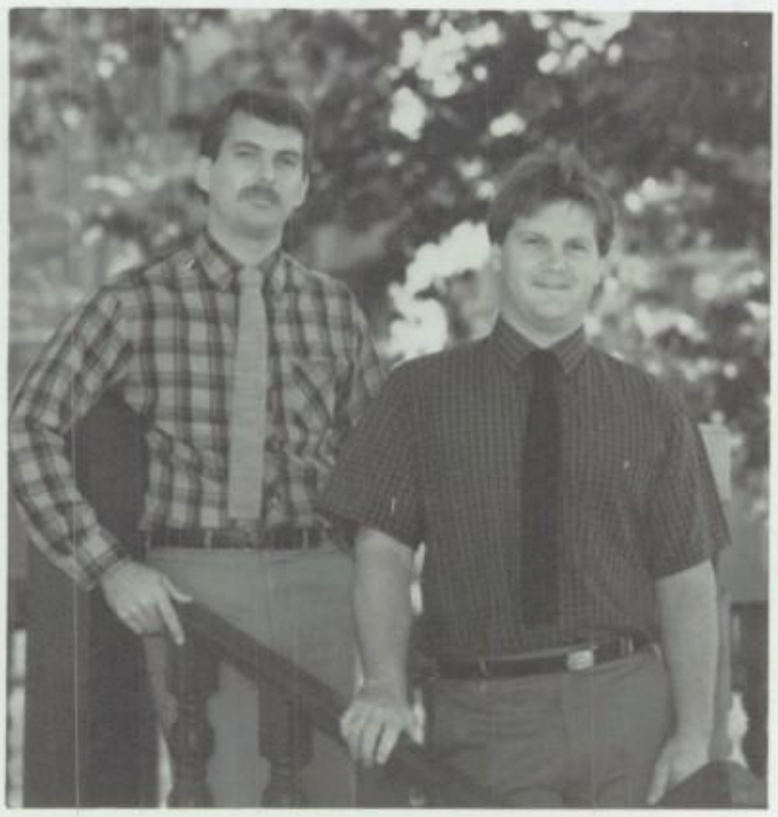


Mr. Schilb takes attendance in study hall.

Mr. Stammen talks with parents.

Physical Ed., Drivers Ed., And Special Education

A good cup of coffee helps Miss Hurless relax.



Drivers Training Department **Mr. Kleman and Mr. Smelser.**

Physical Education Department: **Mr. Bader and Miss Hurless.**

Special Education: **Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Sullivan, Mrs. Edinger, Mrs. Stemen.**

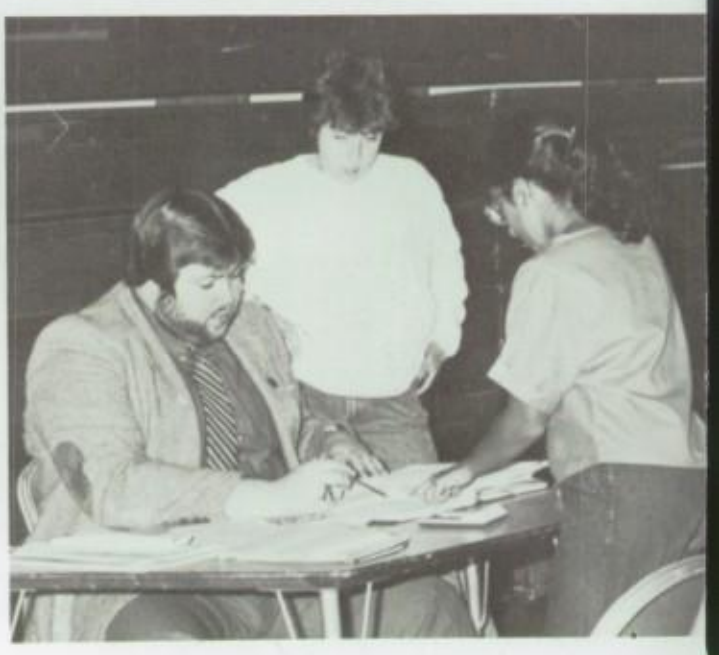
English Punctuates Life

Mr. McGonagle relaxes in his room.

Mr. Brown, Mrs. Sullivan, Mrs. Sipe, Mrs. Stoller, Miss Flory, Miss Clark, Mr. Eickholt

Miss Flory ponders changing her profession after turning in a fire alarm.

Say "cheese", Mr. Brown!



Mr. McGonnell advises his students

Foreign Languages Promote Culture

Front: Mrs. Reitzel, Mrs. Sipe. *Row 2:* Mr. Kalkreuth, Mr. Lianez.

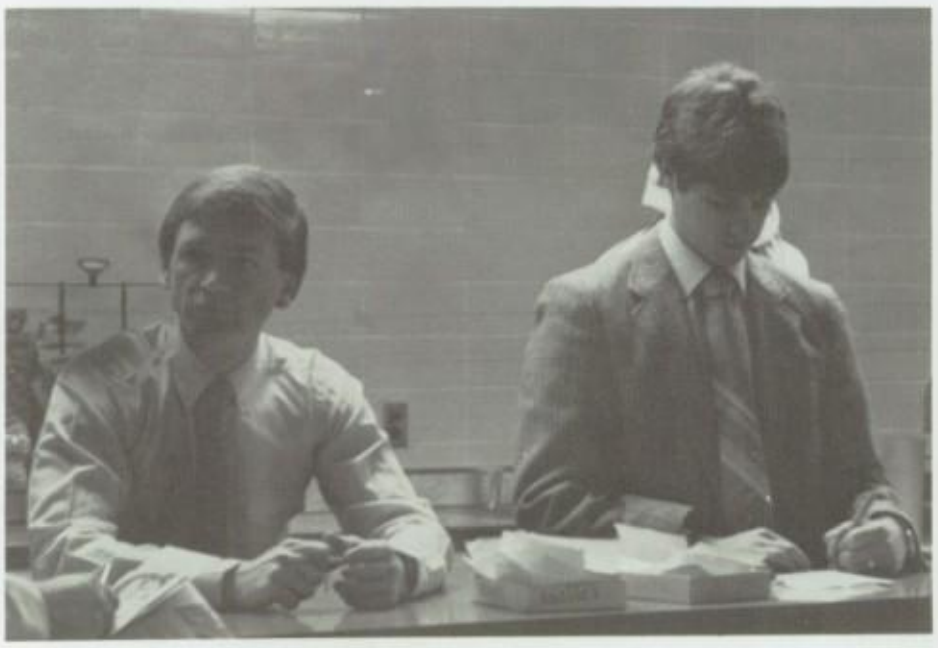
Mrs. Reitzel relaxes between classes.

While working with students, Mrs. Sipe explains a main point.

Aside from his classes, Herr Kalkreuth makes plans for his trip to Germany.

Senor Lianez ponders a minute in class before reviewing Spanish vocabulary.

Mathematicians Solve Problems



Mr. Noftz and Mr. Butler work in the concession stand.

Mr. T. Edinger, Mr. Noftz, Mr. Kleman, Miss Haller.

Hi, Miss Haller!

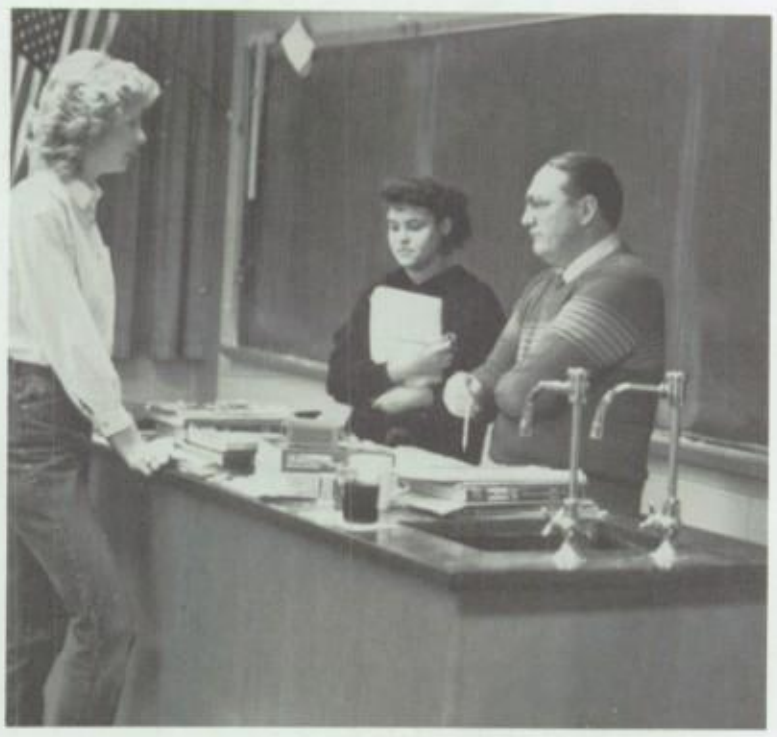
Mrs. Thomas talks with a parent during a conference.

Science Department Explores Life's Mysteries

Mr. Buti pauses in the hallway.

After school, Mr. B. Edinger puts time in on the computer.

ow 1: Mr. Buti, Mr. Butler, Mr. Smelser. *Row 2:* Miss Morrison, Mr. B. Edinger, Ir. T. Edinger.



Mr. T. Edinger answers students' questions at the end of the period.

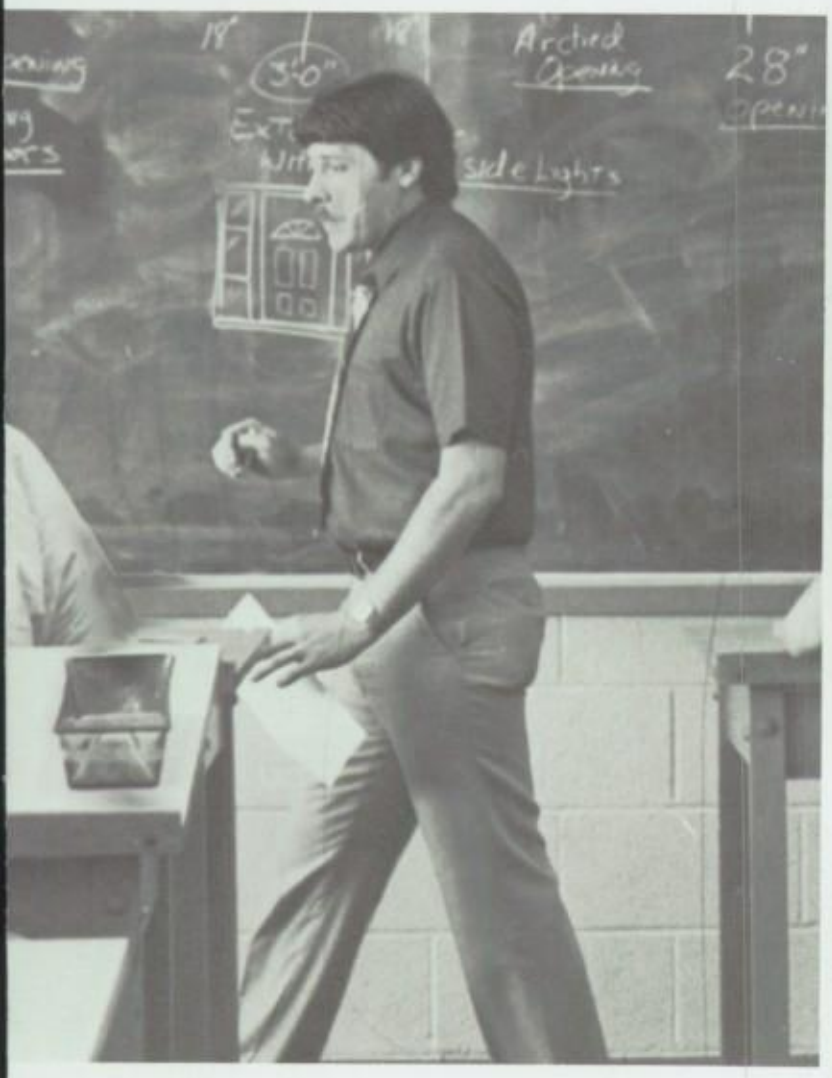
Music And Art Add Creative Touches

Mr. Allesandrini, Miss Kelly, Mr. Schaufelberger, and Mrs. Diller.

"Mr. A" parades for the band.

Mrs. Diller illustrates a concept for her class on th board.

Practical Experience Enhances Student Life



Mr. Thomas paces the classroom as he teaches.

Home Economics: **Mrs. Hurless and Mrs. Brown.**

During a preparation for cooking, Mrs. Brown listens to a new suggestion from students.

Industrial Arts: **Mr. Thomas and Mr. Manken.**

UNDERCLASSMEN

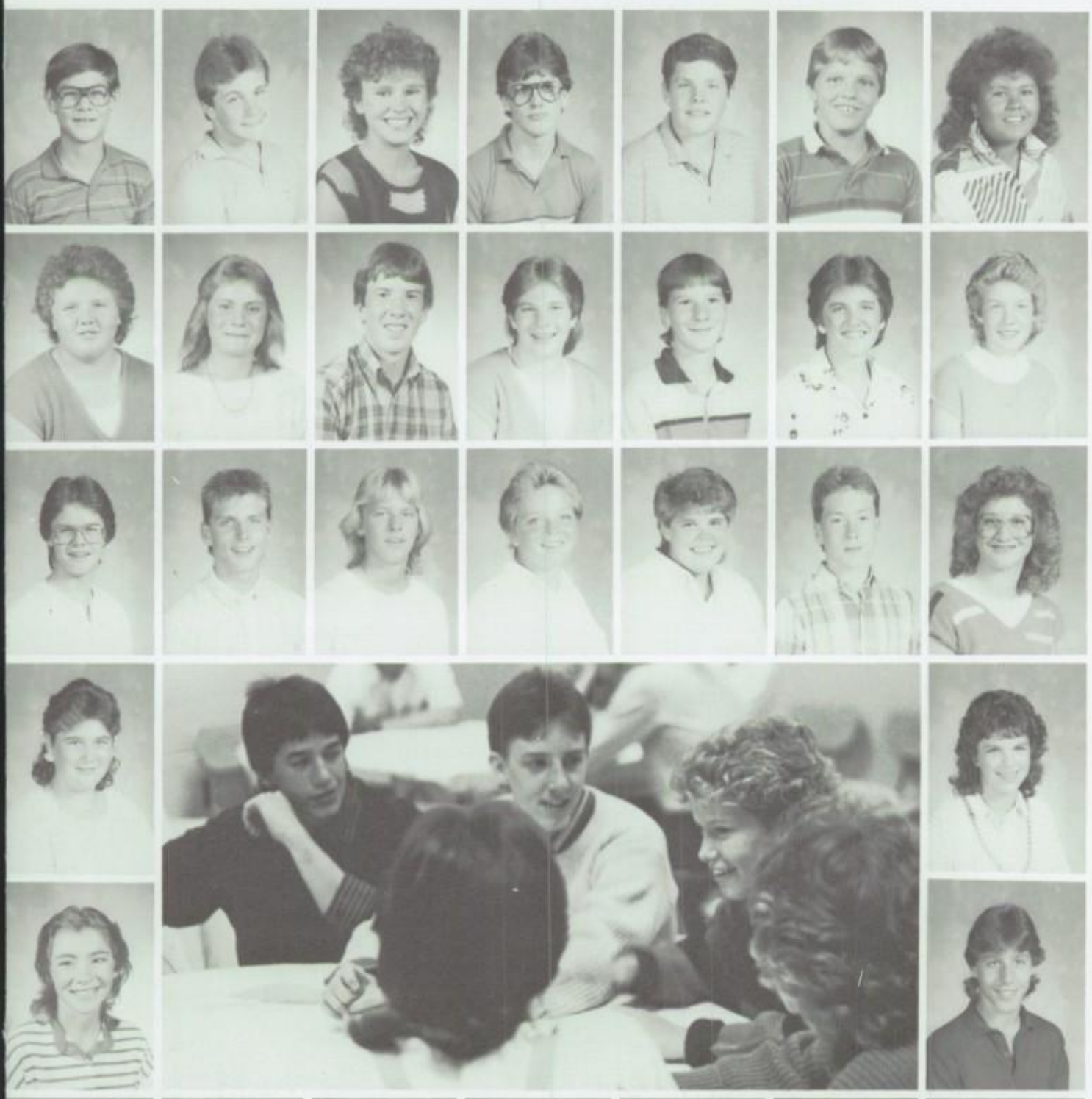
Underclass Officers

Juniors: *Front:* A. McCracken, Secretary; K. Zedaker, Treasurer. *Back:* S. Linton, Vice President; D. Greve, President.

Sophmores: *Front:* C. Slater. *Back:* T.J. Grimm, Treasurer; C. Rhodes, President.

Freshmen: *Front:* J. Benner, Treasurer; R. Waldron, President. *Back:* K. Griffith, Secretary; B. Whetstone, Vice President.

Freshmen, The Class Of 1990



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Acquaviva, James
Adams, Carmen
Agler, Ryan
Albright, Ben
Allen, Carlton
Alvarez, Lisa

Baird, Michele
Bebee, Sara
Bell, Todd
Benner, Jessica
Blackmore, Brent
Bolenbaugh, Paula
Bolton, Kimberly

Booher, Kevin
Boroff, Barry
Bowers, Mike
Bowers, Mindy
Brotherwood, Amy
Brown, Chad
Brown, Machelle

Bruns, Kim
Buettner, Wendy

Burdg, Starla
Burnett, Clint

Burnham, Angie
Butler, Nikki
Butler, Trent
Calvert, Cassie
Canales, Carol
Carlson, Rachael
Carlton, Nick

Carroll, Ann
Carter, Tom
Chapman, Brian
Chavarria, Joe
Cherukuri, Ravi
Chiles, Tim
Chivington, Chris

Freshmen Begin Their High

Clark, Greg
Coleman, Erin
Coleman, Shane
Coomer, Angie
Coon, Tracey
Crawford, Jason
Cross, Jennifer

Descamps, Sheila
Dull, Joi Lyn
Dunn, Aaron
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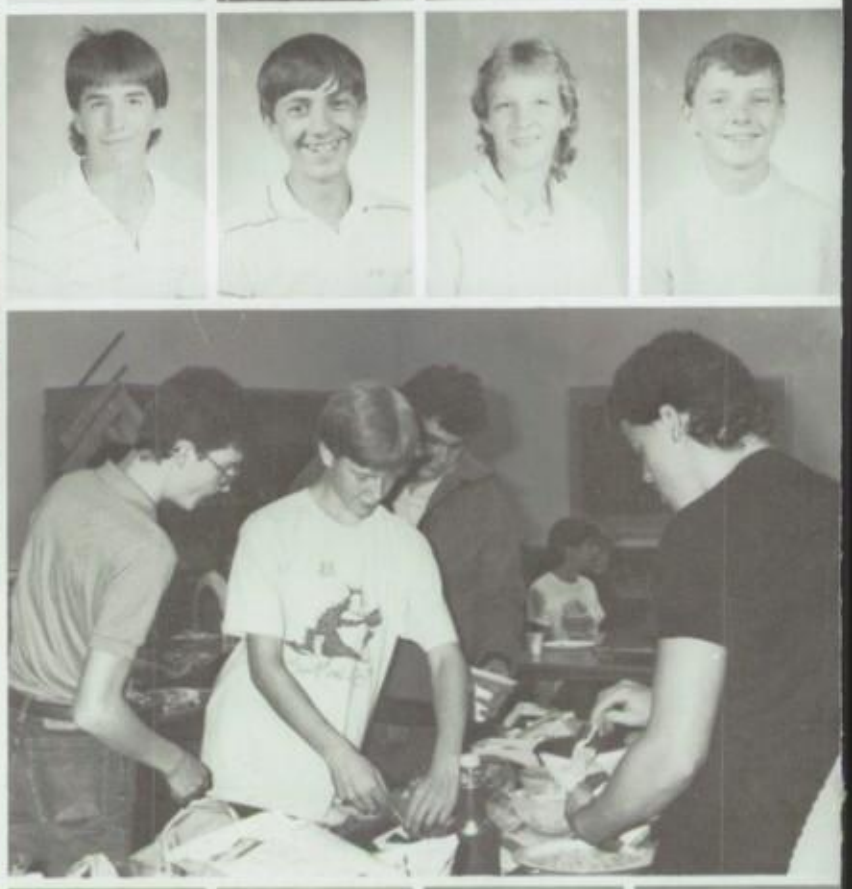
Etzler, Becky
Faulkner, Hope
Fisk, Devin

Fleagle, Ben
Forwerch, Mike
Foster, Tracy
Fowler, Jim



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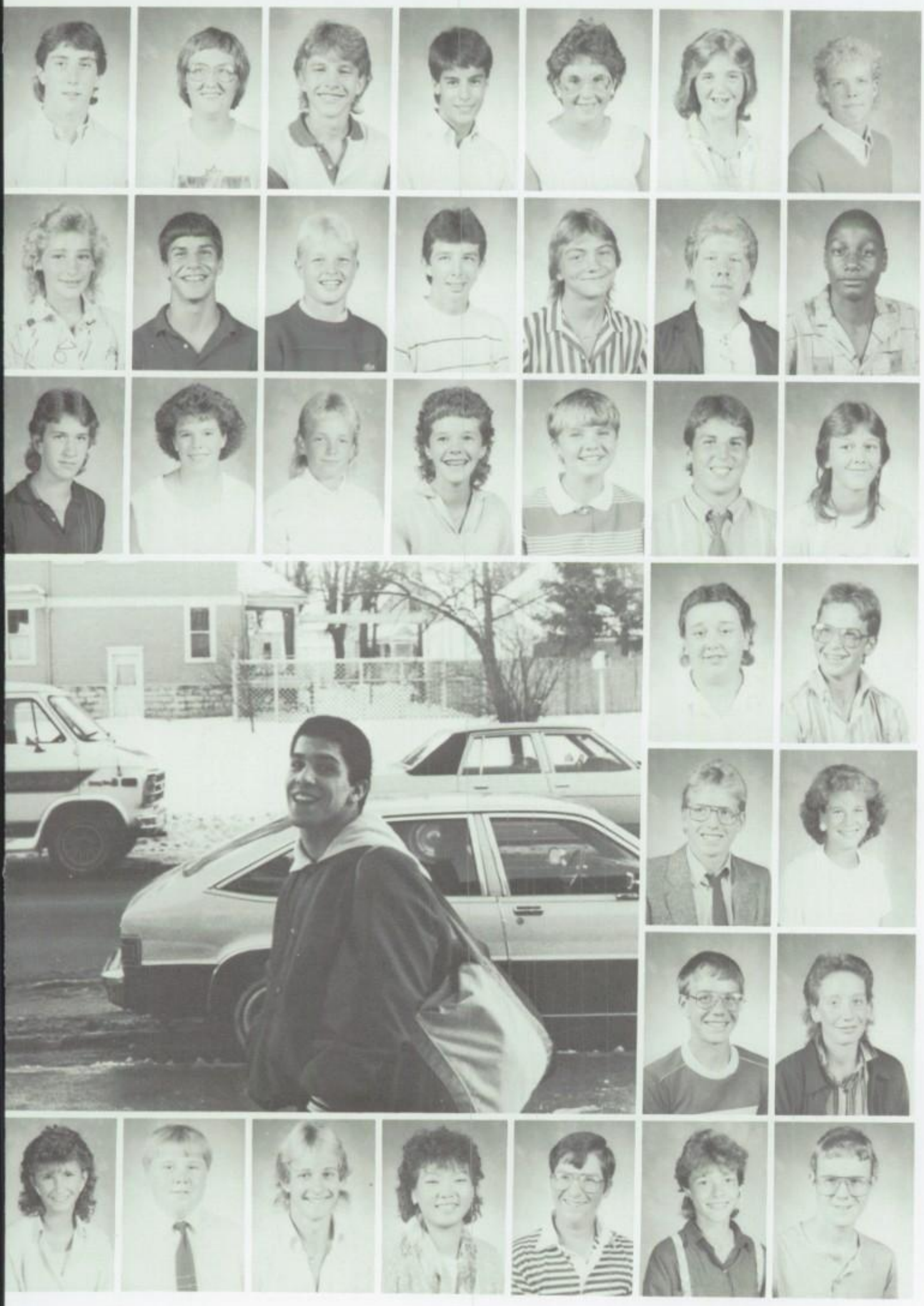
Free, Todd
Fry, Tammie

Frysinger, Cami
Garrett, Troy
Germann, David
Gilbert, Cathy
Goleman, Amy
Good, Amy
Grandstaff, Randy

Grant, Emmitt
Grant, Jewel
Grant, Juliet
Gregory, Aaron
Griffith, Kristi
Grime, Jay
Haas, Jennifer

School Years With Orientation



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Hernandez, Matt
Hill, Pam
Hines, Veronica
Hitchcock, Cobey

Hoersten, Jennifer
Hofmann, Kelly
Houg, Erik
Hough, Gary
Huse, Scott
Jamieson, Gary
Jemison, Dwight

Karalunas, David
Karnes, Kelli
Kennedy, Tyson
Kinkle, Cheryl
Kinkle, Heidi
Kleman, Tony
Klinger, Joy

Klinger, Melissa
Knock, Sean

Knodel, Ryan
Koch, Heather

Kraner, Scott
Lathrop, Rhonda

Lautzenheiser, Debra
Lautzenheiser, Ty
Leaser, Collin
Lee, Eun Jung
Loftis, Patrick
Looker, Jennifer
Lowe, David

Ordering Class Rings

Lupton, Amy
McCollum, Laurie
McHugh, John
McMichael, Taunya
Markins, Chris
Martin, Chad
Mathew, Betsy

Mengerink, Jason
Mercer, Adam
Metz, Laura
Mihm, Vicky
Miller, Kelli
Miller, Rick
Minnich, Kerri

Mitchener, Gregory
Mitchener, Paul
Money, Keith
Morrison, Lacy
Moser, Robert
Mosier, Keith
Myers, Shelly

Myers, Robert
Neugebauer, Amy
Noggle, Tony
Parsons, Dawn

Pemberton, James
Pohlman, Melissa
Pollock, Mandy
Prine, Melissa

Pruden, Chris
Pruden, Ronda
Purk, Tony
Purmort, Michele

Purmort, Paige
Riley, Andy
Robbins, Kelly
Robeson, Blaise
Rollins, Chuck
Seibert, Jamie
Shaner, Dave

Is A Special Event For Freshmen

Sheets, David
Shields, Pam
Shinabery, Nicki
Sink, David
Sinning, Travis
Smith, Chris
Sneed, Jenny

Steele, Suzi
Stetler, Dale
Stetler, Stacey
Subler, Rod

Sutton, Melissa
Sutton, Shane
Swanson, Greg
Taylor, Dawn

Thatcher, Clyde
Thatcher, Cynthia
Thatcher, Jim
Thatcher, Troy
Thomas, Scott
Thompson, Jody
Voors, James

Wagonrod, Amy
Wagonrod, Angie
Waldron, Renee

Walker, Rod
Wermer, Chad
Whetstone, Brenda

Williams, Craig
Williams, Dennis
Williamson, Sandra
Wilson, Mike
Wise, Eric
Witten, Charlie
Zinn, Eric

Sophomores:

Agler, Andy
Altherr, Karla
Amweg, Kristi
Arn, Kendra
Ashbaugh, Michelle
Baer, Robert
Bagley, Mark

Bailey, Jennifer
Baker, Michelle
Baker, Steve
Barker, Chris
Barnes, Chris

Bates, Peter
Baxter, Clarissa
Baxter, Matt
Bebout, Adam
Bebout, Trevor

Beck, Brent
Benner, Phil
Black, Amee
Blakeley, Mike
Bogle, Bill
Boling, Cassy
Britton, Mark

Brown, Troy
Brubaker, Chad
Buckner, Shelia
Buechner, Jeremy
Burk, Shawn
Burkheimer, Jason
Butler, Cindy

Canales, Gloria
Carter, Gary
Casarez, Michael
Casebere, Jeneane

Caywood, Lisa
Cherukuri, Giri
Christlieb, Kim
Cloud, Trent

The Class Of 1989

Coleman, Don
Conrad, Christy
Contreras, Robert
Coon, Jamie
Covey, Chris
Cowan, Laura
Cox, Pam

Creed, Scott
Crow, Jennifer
Cryer, Lisa
Davis, Rhonda
DeCamp, Trent
Densel, Theresa
Diddle, Amy

Dionne, Terry
Dix, Wendy
Drake, Chris
Dunlap, Jill
Dunlap, Wendy
Early, Shane
Ehrsam, Emily

Eikenbary, Erin
Eikenbary, Eric
Finger, Darci
Fisher, Leslie
Fisher, Susan

Fleming, Jerry
Fodrie, Renee
Forewerck, John
Foster, Shad
Foster, Brian

Fowler, Trisha
Fox, Melody
Francis, Kathy
Frantz, Andy
Frederick, Ryan
Geesey, Jeannete
Gemmer, Chris

Good, Aimee
Greve, Scott
Grieshaber, Tom
Grimm, T.J.
Grossheim, Richard
Gunnell, Teena
Habegger, Jamie

To Get A License, Sophomores

Haller, Cam
Harter, Chris
Harvey, Diane
Hauter, Tony
Hayes, Amber
Heffner, Tony
Herminghuysen, Kris

Hernandez, Jamie
Hill, David
Hoersten, Jim
Iler, Kent
Ireland, Sean
Jeknavorian, Katrina
Jemison, Atra

Jewell, Cindy
Johnson, Lori
Kennedy, Kim
Kinkle, Amy
Kleman, Julie
Klewer, Mark
Kline, Paul

Klosterman, Melissa
Koebler, Kathy
Kovar, Robert
Kramer, Ginger
Kuck, Kris
Laisure, Missy
Landis, Matt

Layton, Jonie
Layton, Lynn
Leland, Shannon
Lewis, Lynette
Lowe, Donna
McCoy, Kelly
McCray, Greg

McEntire, Kristen
McGough, Rod
Marquart, Tracey

Martinez, Chris
Mefferd, Dave
Miller, Amy

Sign Up For Driver's Training

Miller, Bryan
Miller, Danielle
Miller, Doug
Miller, Lauri
Minnig, Mike
Moffitt, Danielle
Montanaro, Nick

Moraw, Janet
Mosier, Greg
Neate, Shane
O'Sullivan, Kelly
Paige, Mike

Pak, Ho Sun
Parsons, Rod
Place, Joe
Prill, Susan
Pruden, Vivian

Ramos, Stuart
Ravipati, Anu
Rawlins, Cindy
Ray, Jill
Reitzel, Eric
Renner, Braydon
Rhoades, Chad

Riggenbach, Tom
Riley, Aaron
Riley, Adam
Robbins, Angie
Robeson, Nicole
Roush, Shawn
Rucklos, Dondi

Ruttan, Suzi
Ryan, Laura
Saam, Jason
Sargent, Kathy

Schaberg, Debra
Scheidt, John
Schisler, Laura
Scott, Tina

Sophomores Clean Up After Prom

Secaur, Jennifer
Sheets, Lori
Sheperd, Beth
Sink, Jennifer
Sinning, Matt
Sites, Rob
Sites, Terry

Slater, Christy
Smith, J.D.
Spridgeon, Susan
Springer, Scott
Stevens, Greg
Straley, Neil
Stutz, Curtis

Sullivan, Geoff
Suttan, Bryce
Temple, Trent
Thiebout, Holly

Tomlinson, Jeff
Tribolet, Jason
Trisel, Teresa
Tuckerman, Chad

Turnwald, Tom
Waldron, Stephanie
Wamsley, Scott
Webster, Kelly

Whitcraft, Jason
Wilkin, Andy
Williams, Karl
Williamson, Dan
Williman, Heather
Wilson, Tammy
Wise, Bob

Wise, Shawn
Wood, Patty
Wood, Teresa
Worline, Rod
Worthington, Jill
Wortman, Tricia
Youtsey, Michelle

Juniors: The Class Of 1988

Agler, Amy
Agler, Vicky
Baer, Jayme
Baucon, Mike

Benschneider, Bill
Bigler, Jennifer
Blair, Shirley
Bobbitt, Jerry

Boley, Amy
Boley, Dale
Bonifas, Jeff
Branch, Dennis

Brandt, Kim
Brown, Arnie
Brown, Lance
Burk, Shane
Burnett, Jeannine
Busch, Jenny
Butler, Cerina

Calvert, Larry
Canalas, Tania
Carlson, Anne
Carter, Karen

Chiles, Mike
Clay, Brent
Clouse, Troy
Coleman, Trevor

Collins, Aaron
Collins, Marcy
Cooper, Chris
Cox, Mindy
Cox, Mitch
Custer, Robert
Cyr, Nicole

P.S.A.T. Tests And Research

Densel, Leah
Densel, Tina
Detwiler, Nick
Dewitt, Steve

Dineen, Colleen
Dunham, Brock
Dunlap, Cindy
Dunmire, Steve

Dunn, Kathleen
Evans, Mike
Eversole, Terry
Fackler, Wendy
Fast, David

Fawcett, Brad
Fenton, Angie
Fiegel, Dawn
Fleming, Judy
Follas, Jodi

Ford, Teresa
Foreman, Angie
Freeman, Matt
Freeman, Pat
Galloway, Nicki

Gardner, Keith
Gehres, Dan
Gerold, Jed
Giessler, Buffy
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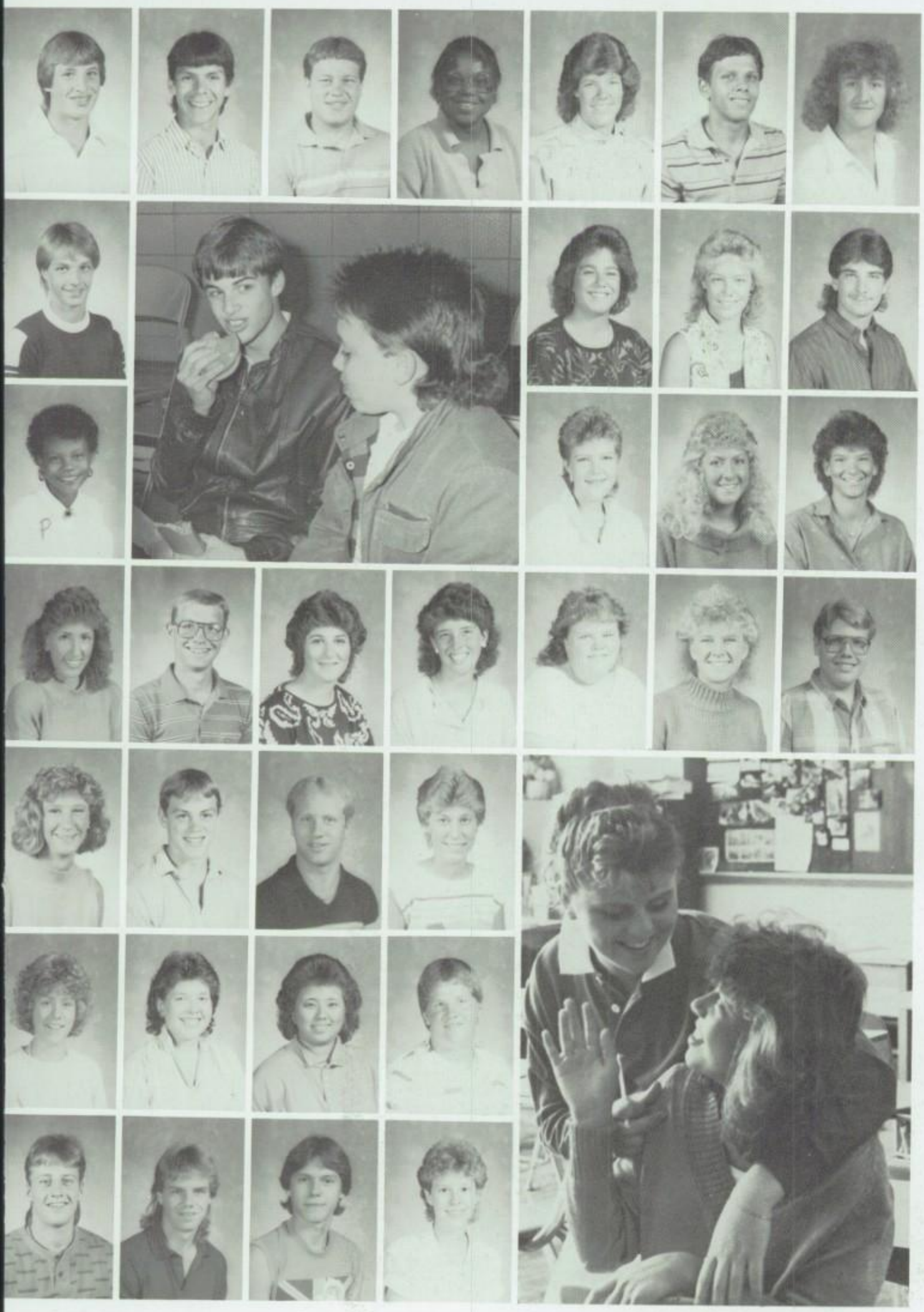
Grant, Christi
Greve, Brian
Gurganus, Renata
Hamilton, Debbie
Heffner, Scott

Papers Sap The Juniors' Strength



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Ingol, Shawn
Johnson, Tammy
Kampf, Bill
Karalunas, Dan

Keipper, Ed
Kiracofe, Lolly
Kiracofe, Ronna
Klausing, Ed

Knight, Patricia
Kohart, Marcia
Lane, Ded
Langdon, Kris

Lautzenheiser, Amy
Lewis, Dave
Lewis, Jenny
Linton, Shelly
McCoy, Mary
McCracken, Anne
Mason, Don

Mathew, Amy
Mengerink, Roger
Mengerink, Steve
Meyers, Michelle

Miller, Nikki
Miller, Shannon
Mills, Jenny
Miracle, Jay

Mitchener, Derek
Moonshower, Trent
Oliver, Jody
Osborn, Amy

Decorating For Prom Captivates

Pak, Youn Sun
Parsons, Annette
Phillips, Sandra
Pierce, Shane
Place, Ken
Pollock, Chuck
Potter, Mike

Pratt, Dan
Prichard, Jennifer
Prill, Angela

Pruden, Deana
Purmort, Marie
Putman, Stacia

Reagan, Pam
Reichert, Mike
Richie, Melissa
Riley, Matt
Rodgers, Eric
Roth, David
Schaberg, Mark

Schrader, Scot
Schultz, Stacie
See, Eric
Seplak, Keith

Shell, Doug
Sherburn, Gregg
Shock, Bambi
Shupe, John

Sidle, Greg
Sidle, Larry
Sidle, Tricia
Silance, Kevin
Smith, Tina
Smith, Don
Smith, Kent

Juniors During The Spring

Smith, Tamika
Sneary, Sarah
Snyder, Mike
Spray, Brad
Spray, Brent
Stevens, Julie
Stewart, Nikki

Stittsworth, Jeff
Stricker, Jeff
Sully, Greg
Sunderland, Tina
Taylor, Don
Thomasson, Chandler
Thompson, Jamie

Uncapher, Tracy
Upton, Dave
Vetter, Mary Beth
Wehage, Dawn

Wells, Chris

Werth, Tracey

Wettig, Amy
Whitcraft, Scott
Williams, Gary
Williman, Nikki
Wilson, Robert
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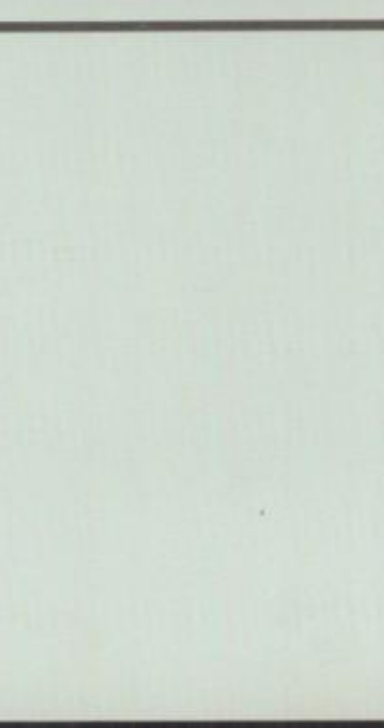
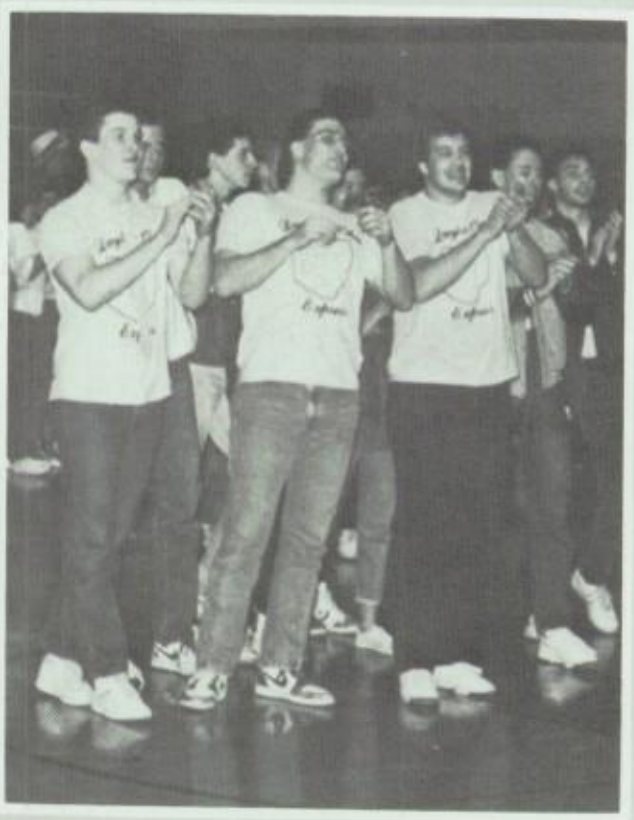
GRADUATES





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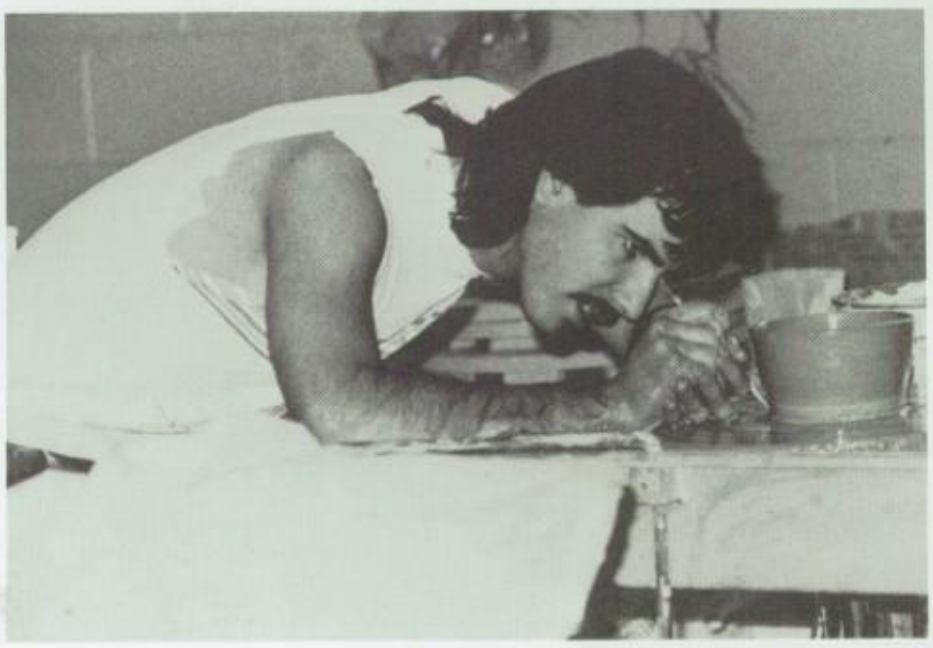

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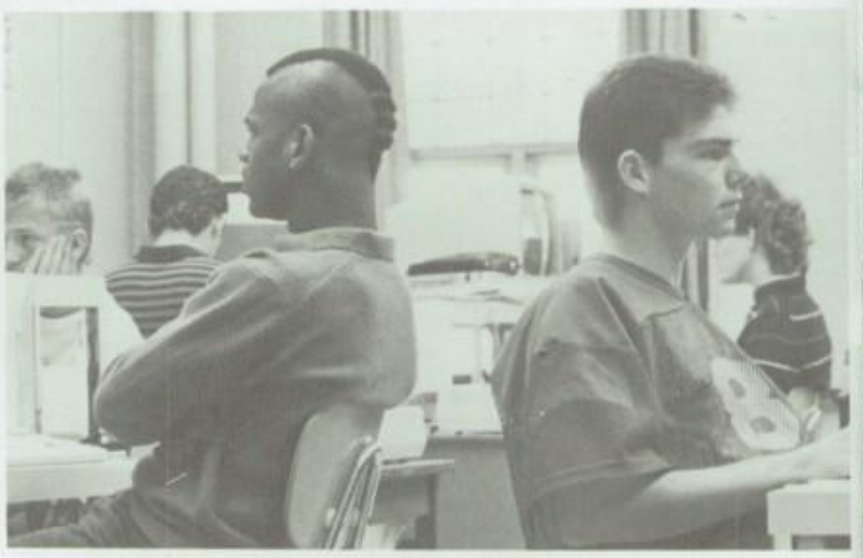


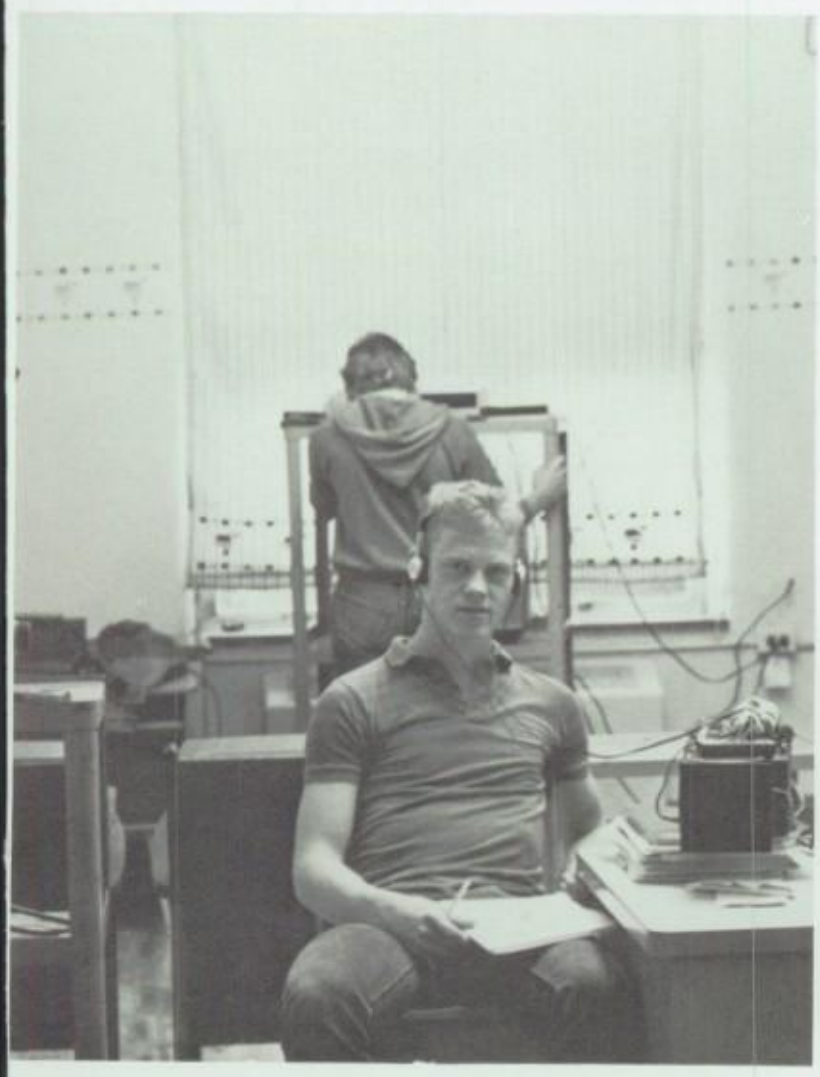
The Class Of 1987

Dirk Adams

Andrea Adams

Julia K. Anderson

Shelly L. Anderson



Kelly Arn

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Troy Barnhart

Barbra J. Barton

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Jennifer Beyer

Matthew Lynn Boaz

Angela Bowersock

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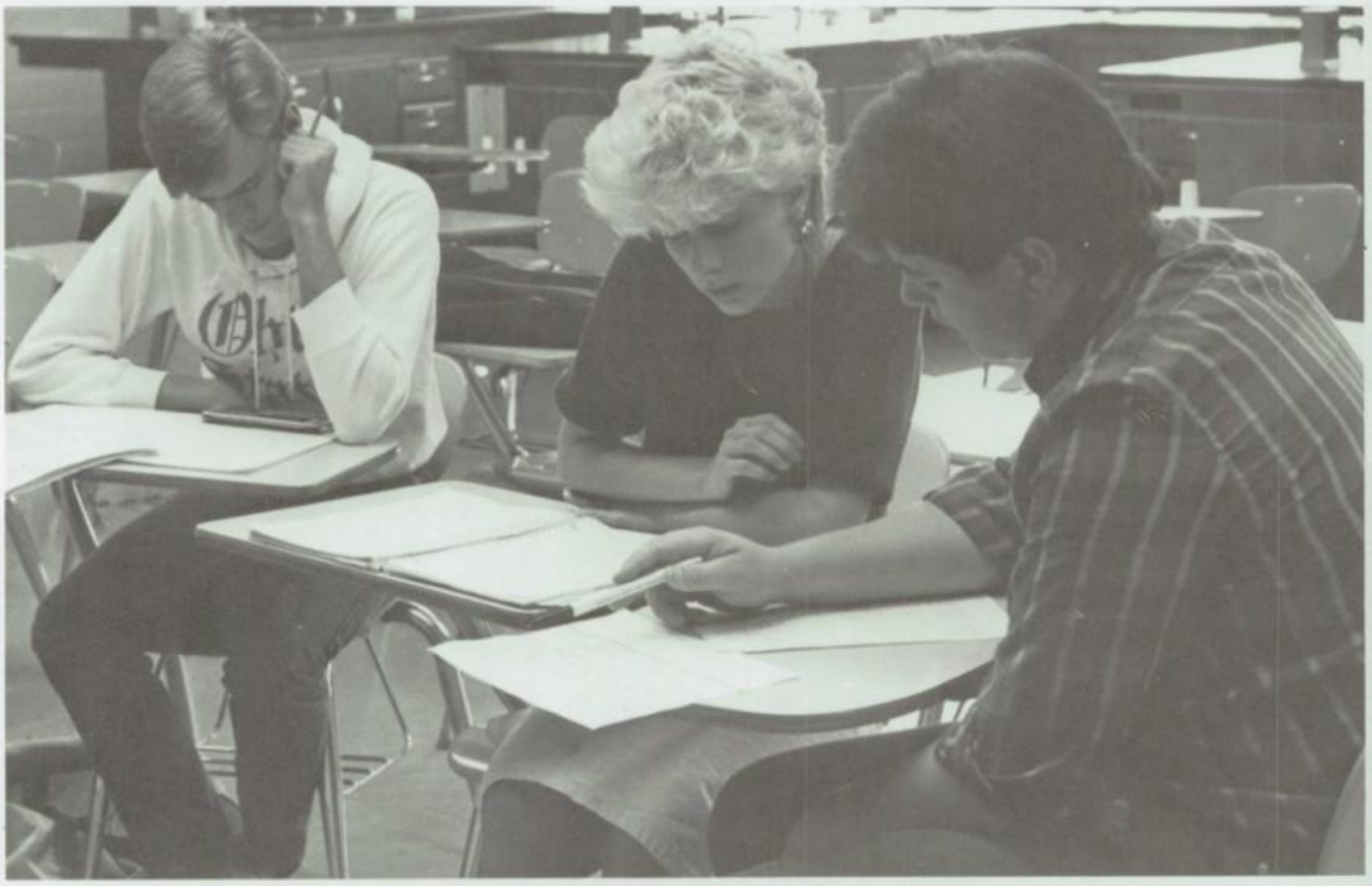

Debra L. Breece

Mark C. Brehm

Allen Brown

Jim Burkheimer

Jim Burnfield

Tammy Butler

Tom Buzzard

Barbara Canales

Having Senior Portraits Taken

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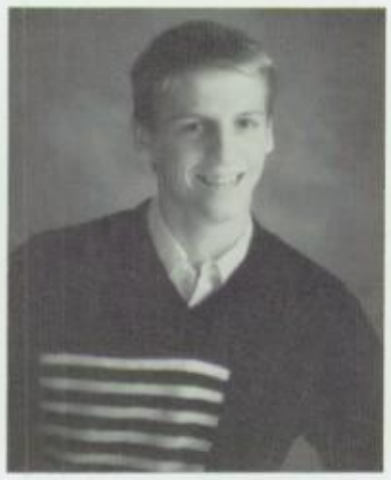
Stacy Clem

Tonya Renee Coleman

Michelle Coombs

Vonda Creed



Craig Andrew Crosby

Gary E. Cross

Amy Sue Culler

Scott A. Danylchuk

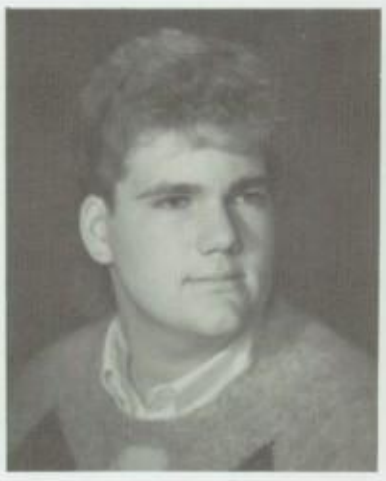
Eric David Dirham

Joseph H. Dohmen

Kathy Dowler

Taking S.A.T. Or A.C.T. Tests

Trevor R. Dull



Michael J. East

Carol Ann Eichler

Melissa Dee Eikenbary

Thad Ryan Eikenbary

Greg Allen Emerick

Donna Jean Farmer

Neil Wayne Felver

Doug Alan Finkhousen

Kelly Marie Ford

Phillip B. Foreman

Kate Fox

Applying To Colleges And Universities

Rebecca Fraters

Tricia L. Fry

Jamison Leigh Gamble

John Thomas Gemmer

Kim Gillespie

Michelle Gillette

Tonya Sue Goudy

Brenda Gribler

Scott G. Griffith

Claudia Jo Grimm

Jody Lynn Grogg

Janet L. Grossheim

Ordering Senior Announcements,

Terry Habegger

Rick M. Haines

Daniel W. Harting

Aaron Heath

Scott Heiser

Michael V. Hernandez

Mark Hetrick

Carrie Lynn Hoverman

Craig Ingman

Memory Books, And Keys

Larry Ingol

Patrick J. Jackson

Roy A. Jeknavorian

Mette Jensen

Clyde Alan Jewel

Melissa Jones

Michael E. Kennedy

Christina Kishler

Travis J. Knittle

Jetta Lynn Kramer

Filling Out Resumes, Job

Brad Kraner

Teresa L. Kreischer

Izumi Kubo

Melissa L. Lassiter

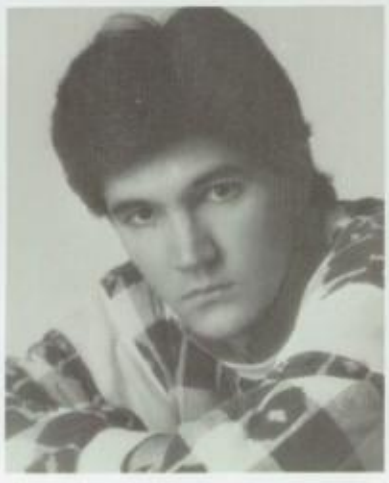
Clinton L. Lautzenheiser

Kurt L. Leatherman

Kathy Lippi

Connie Patricia Loftis

Jim Loughrie



Christopher M. Magdich

Becky Markins

Jeff May

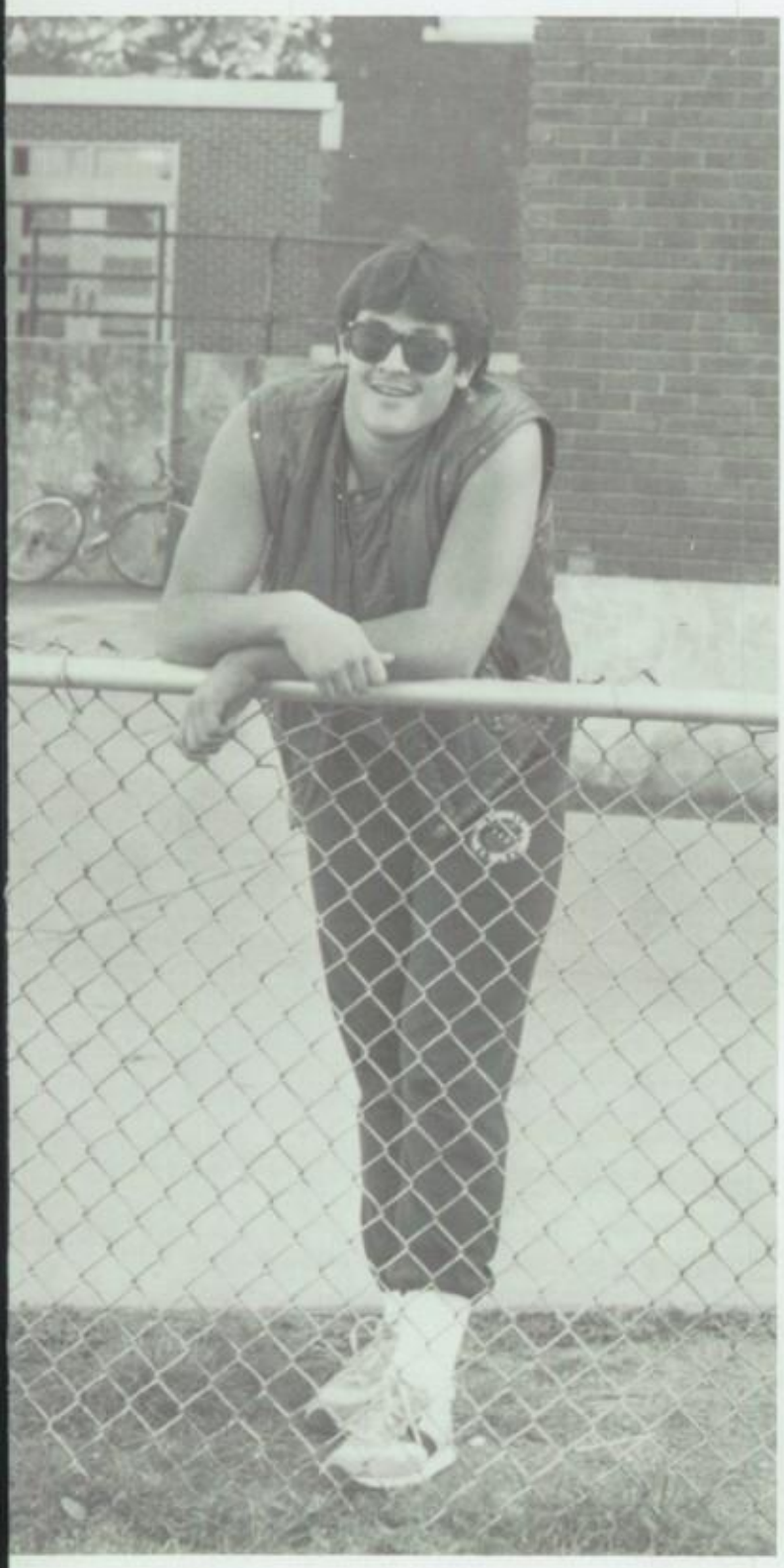
Applications, And Scholarships

Kathleen K. McClure

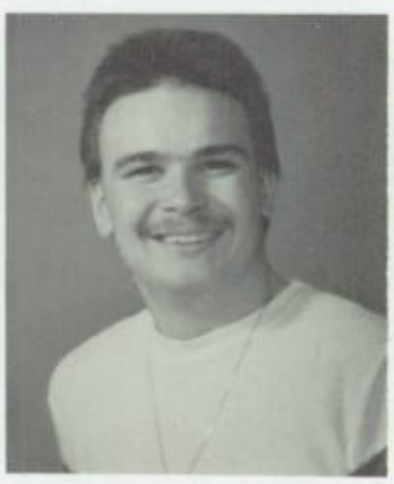
Kerry L. McConahay

Tina E. McMichael

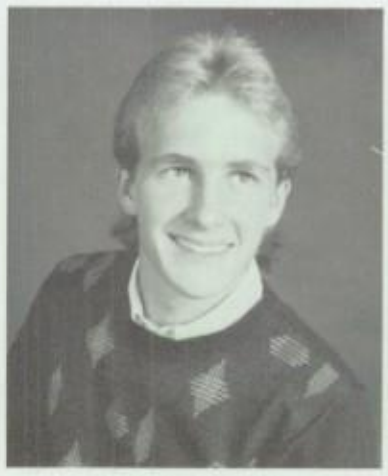
Aaron E. Mechling



Matthew B. Mercer



James D. Miller



Kirk A. Minnich

Lance Moonshower

Joel James Moreman

Michael Albert Moraw

Attending Senior English,

Derek H. Muktarian

George Palombi

Elizabeth A. Pemberton

Christina L. Pohlman

Kent R. Pritchard

Robert Alan Priest

Natalie Jean Proffitt

Todd Dean Rainey

Trisha N. Randolph

Jenny Reinbolt

Michael Douglas Riegel

Jeff Roberts

Government, And Calculus Classes

Michael Jon Roth

Charles A. Runser

Colleen K. Saam

Merle James Saam

C. Douglas Sanders

Bradley Allen Saylor

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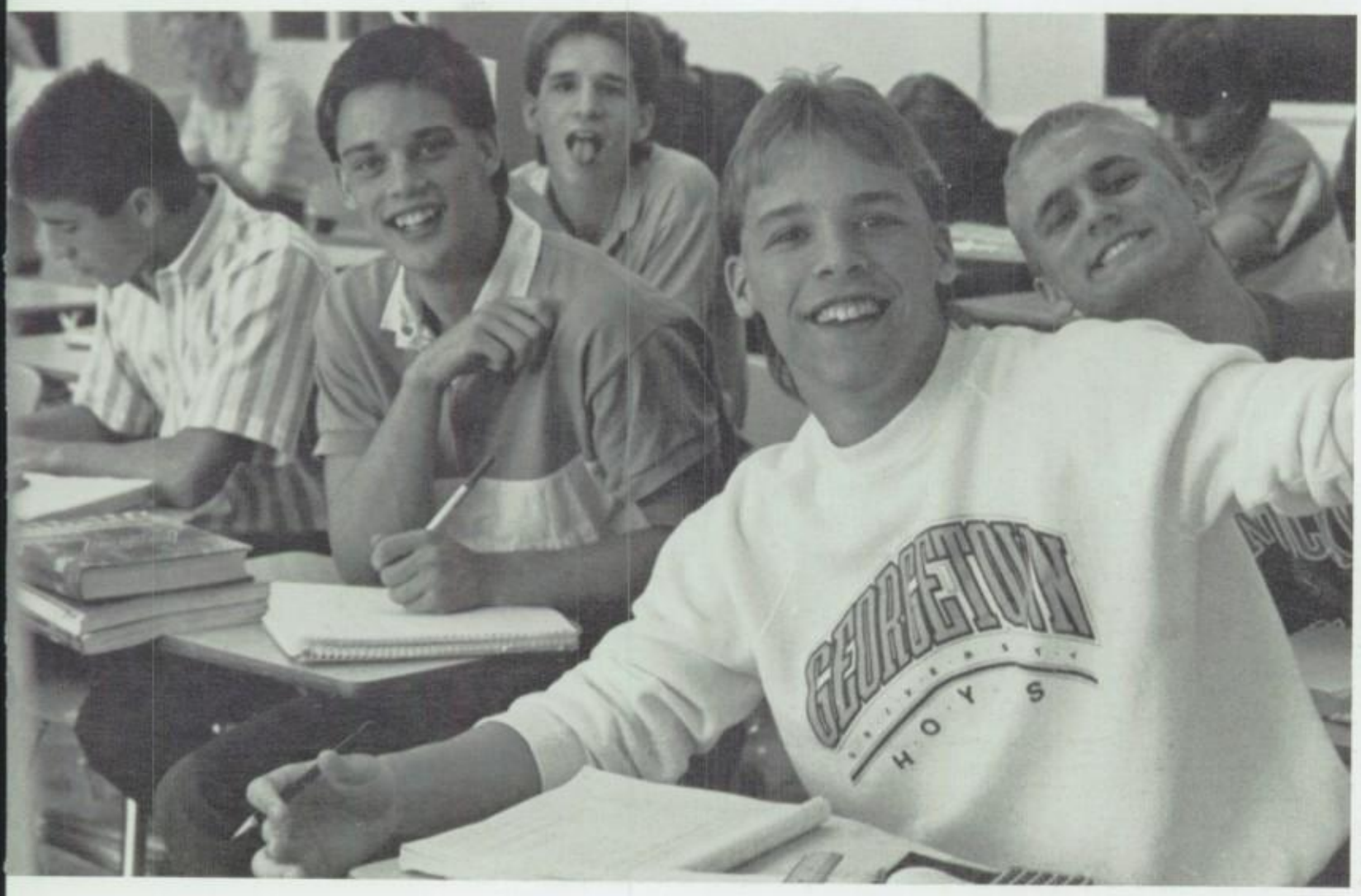

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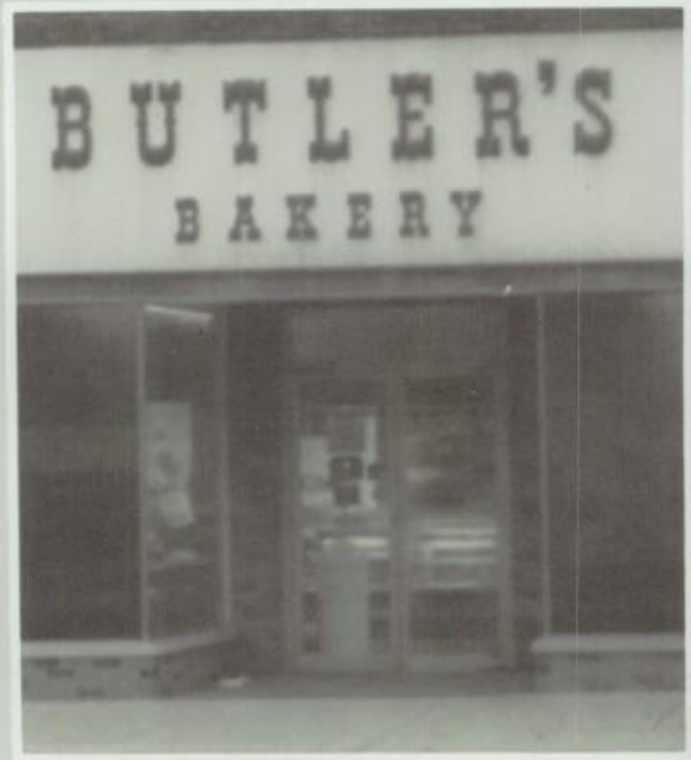

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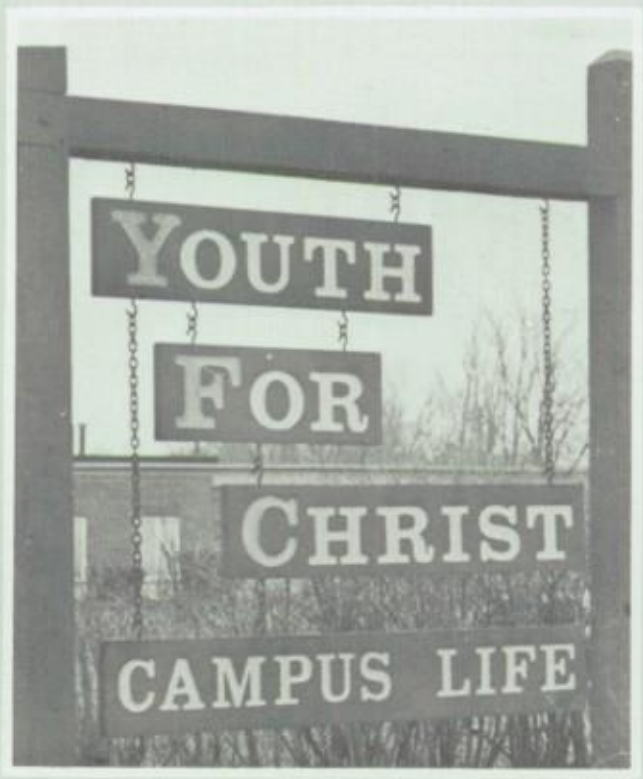
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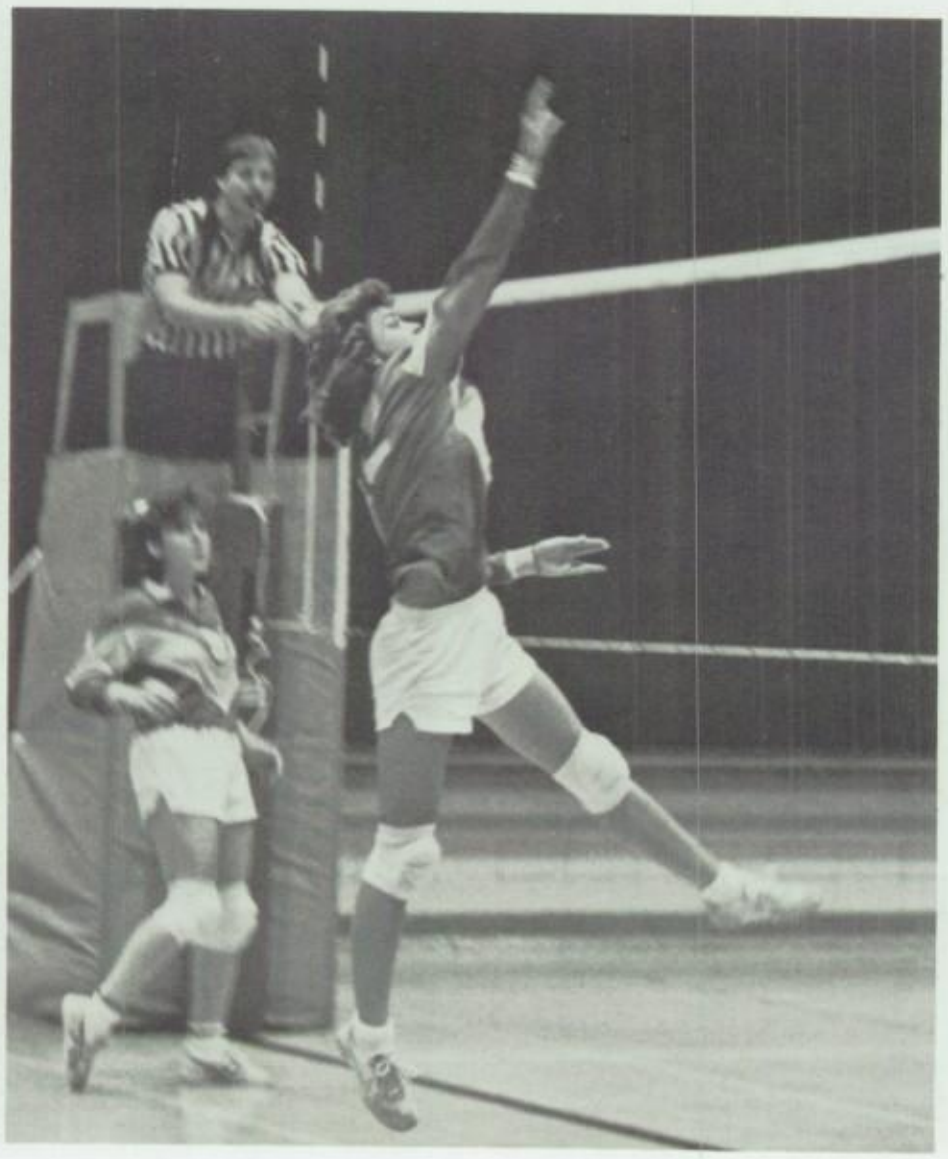

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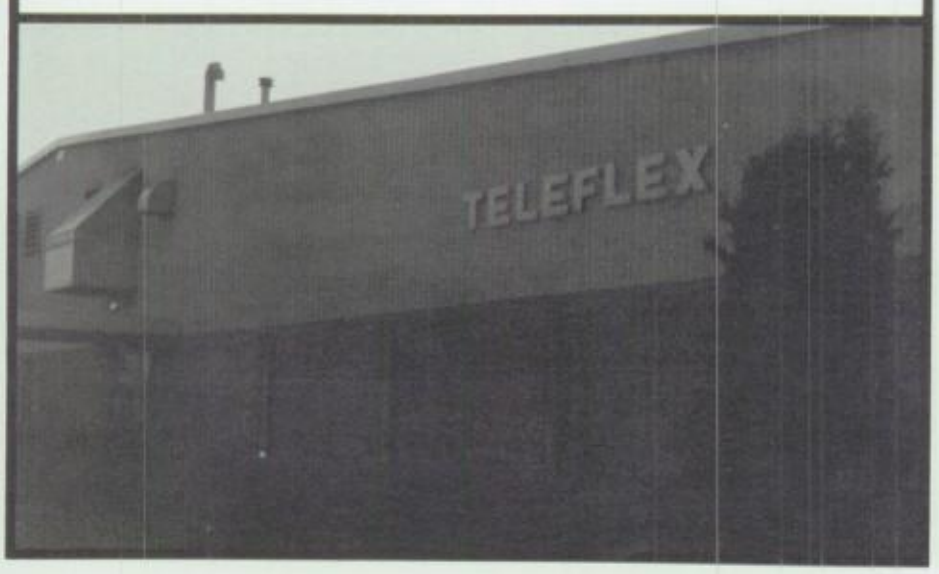

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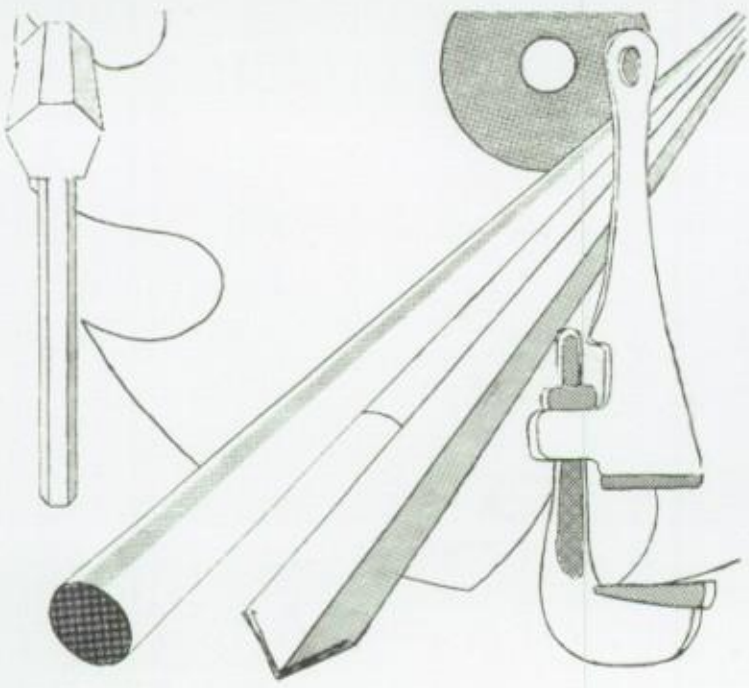

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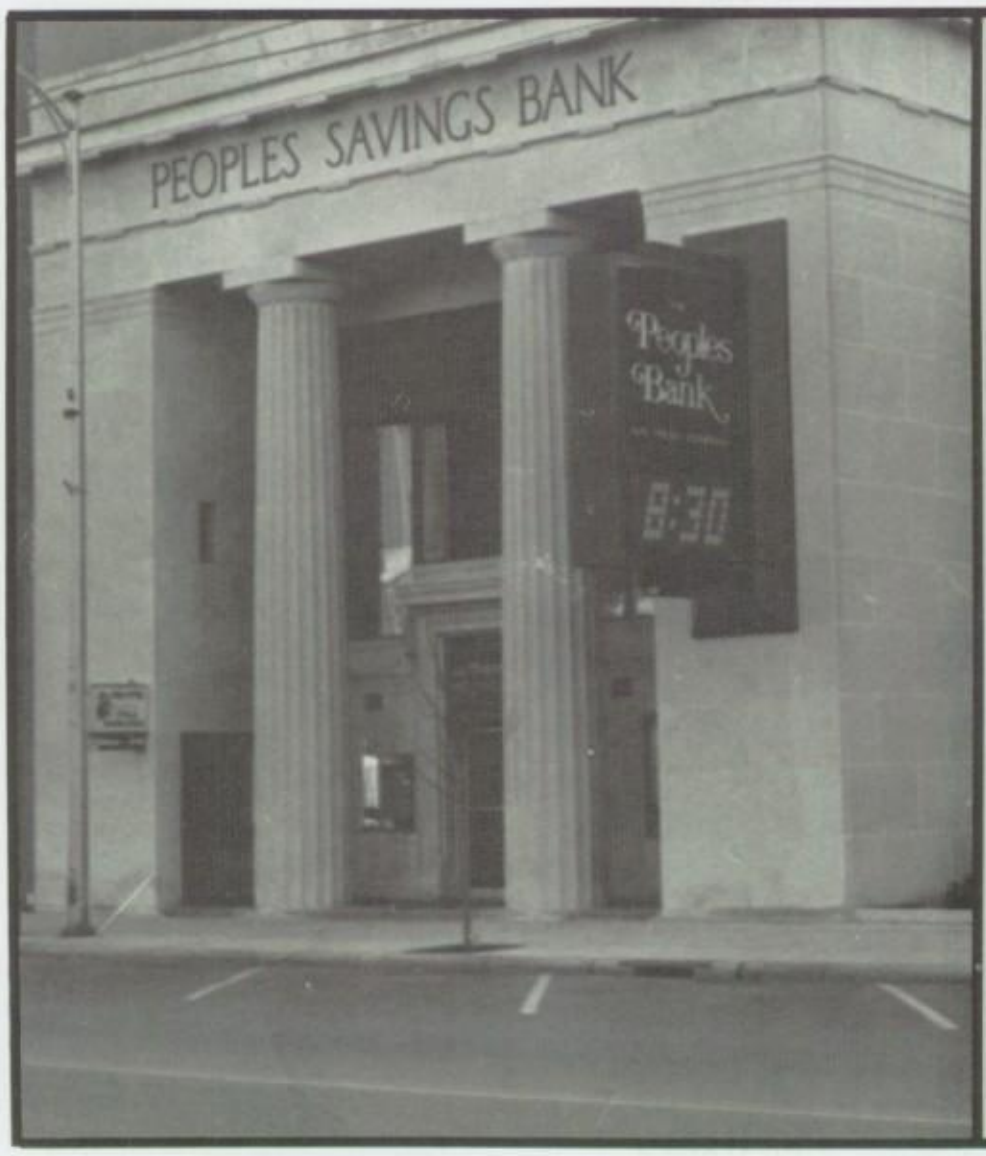

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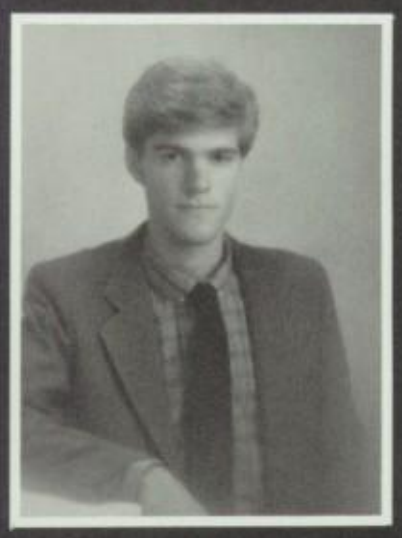

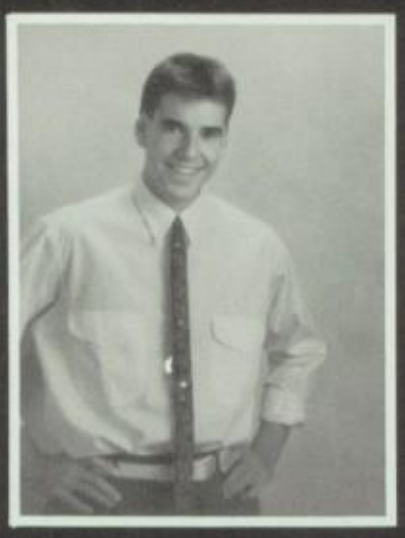

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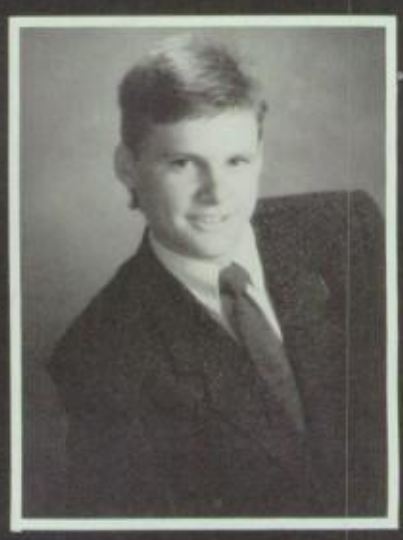

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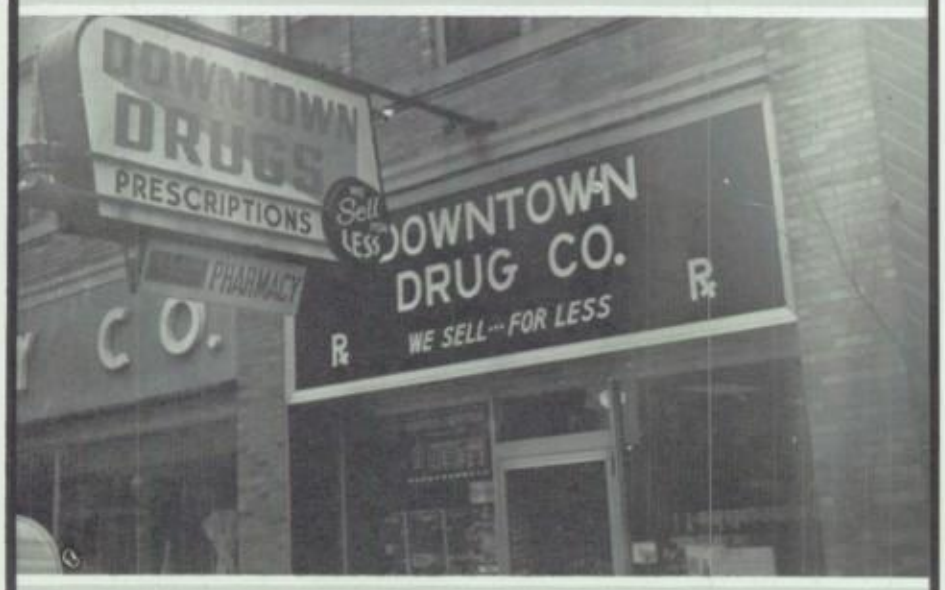

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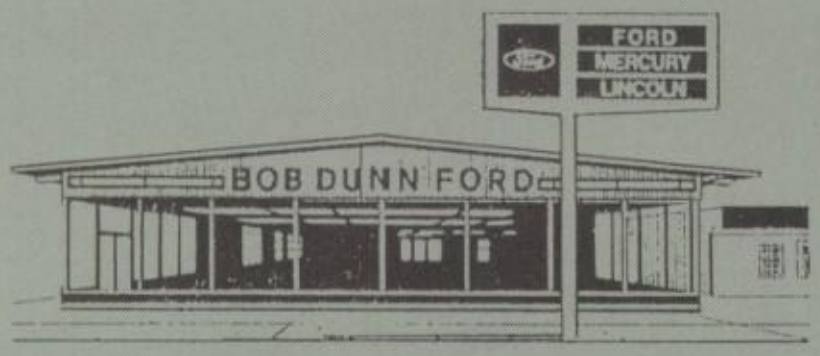

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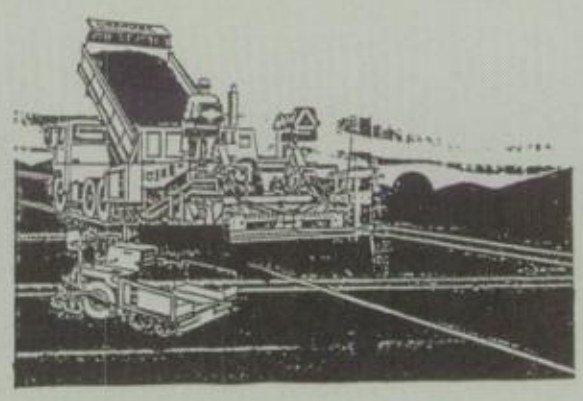

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Tammy and Marie

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Rob

Christy,,

I don't know where to start. This past year has been the best of my life b/c of you! You mean more to me than anything in the entire world. I love you more than can be expressed, & the love keeps getting stronger & stronger every day! You are a part of me that [redacted], I know I couldn't live without. I sometimes still don't believe how great our relationship is. I mean it is a relationship so great & wonderful that there is nothing that will ever take me away from you. I LOVE YOU! We have had many wonderful & interesting times like Mud, early mornings (1:00 am), 3:11 am scares, Prom, The Reslvor, Taking a drive, Spending the night at a friends house, Bus rides to football games (hey you in the back seat), Brookside & BROOKSIDE, Many different & wild & crazy places (Band Camp & Fairgrounds), Trips to Ft Wayne, Trip to Lima, Going to Jenny's house after playing football at Jay's (mud & leaches), Playing Cards at Chandlers house, Jefferson School, Troy & Kim in the back of my Mom's car (I should kill the dick for that), Getting pulled over, Dad driving by, New Years Eve (1986-1987), Homecoming & Bobs Concert when I really started having more & more feelings for you (They have been growing stronger every day since), Chandler, you & I going to Ft Wayne & buying you an outfit & you modeling it for us, Keeping Troy going for a few weeks, The movie Mannequine (well mabey not), But most of the best thing is just holding you & looking into your eyes & knowing we will be together forever. I never dreamed we could have such a great relationship. I can't wait until we are older & are able to get married & have a family of our own. You mean so much to me. Remember when I go to college I will not do anything to ruin our relationship. B/c you are the one I want to be w/ forever. I don't know how you do it but you always seem to make me smile. Mabey it is b/c you are so gorgeous, caring, loving, beautiful, have a great body, ~~person~~ have a great personality, very smart (must be, you are going with me), loveable, cuddly, but most of all you are mine & will be forever & I ~~guess~~ know that will always keep me smiling. I have so many feelings that I can't express, like I can think about you & wonder how I was so lucky to get someone as wonderful as you. You are the best & there is no one out there better than you. I know this has taken long enough to write (we may be married before you get it back), but I hope it is worth the wait. I do mean everything I say. Just think it has almost been a year now. The best year of my life b/c of you & it is the beginning of Always & Forever & Ever! I know you have heard it before but you will hear it again & again & again... that I Love You & do so much that I would do anything for you. Don't ever think I like (or love) you for certain things, It is just being w/ you & knowing you love me. One of the best feelings I get is when I hold you in my arms & know that I will forever. I have never (or know) been so sure about something, like I do that we will last forever, & don't think I ever (never) will. Well there is not much more to say except I LOVE YOU VERY, VERY, VERY, VERY, VERY, MUCH & WILL FOREVER & EVER & EVER & EVER & EVER... INF → ! more my mistress

Love Always & Forever

Daniel Evan Gehres

I LOVE YOU! I LOVE YOU! I LOVE YOU!

Christy Helen Slater (Snake),

Well, I have no idea what to say so I'm going to say the normal. I'm glad we're good friends!!! We've had alot of fun on buses, & trips home from fort wayne, going w/ Bach & Beethoven, playing b-ball, & tennis, going to band camp, b-ball camp & putting people in trances. In other words we've been together alot & had alot of fun. You've always been there for me & I will always be here for you & you know it. I know we'll always be friends so I won't even bother saying that I hope we will. Good luck w/ Dan, G-luck with B-ball, G-luck w/ Tennis, G-luck w/ maybe cheerleading, G-luck w/ softball, & just G-luck with everything else you ever do.

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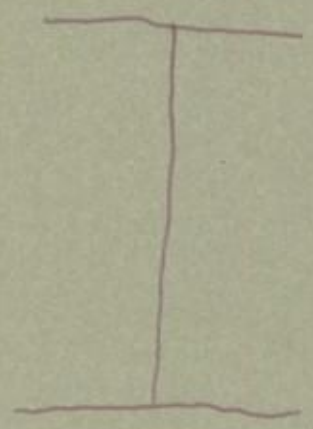

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